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## TELEGRAMS.

### MEXICAN CRISIS.

#### AMERICA DETERMINED.

(Reuter's Service To The "Telegraph.")

London, Received April 16.  
Reuter's correspondent at Washington says it is learned that when Mr. O'Shaughnessy, the U. S. Charge d'Affaires, apprised President Huerta of the proposed naval demonstration, Huerta argued that the episode of the arrest of the orderly was a subject for arbitration by the Hague tribunal. President Wilson emphatically replied, through Mr. O'Shaughnessy, that the time for delay and evasion had passed and that the United States would temporise no longer.

#### Battleship Sails.

Reuter's correspondent at Philadelphia says the battleship Michigan has sailed for Mexico.

#### Anti-American Feeling.

Some anti-American demonstrations are reported from Vera Cruz and other points.

London, Received April 17.

President Huerta continues to treat the situation lightly and telegraphed yesterday that the Tampico incident was of no special importance. Mexico had quarrels with nobody; least of all with the great American nation.

## MEXICO.

By R.B. Cunningham Graham.

It looks as if Mr. Wilson had bitten off a little more than he can chew. Only time can show whether or not this is the case; but Mexican jaded beef is not a diet easy to assimilate. Quite clearly Mr. Wilson was within his rights when he declined to recognise General Huerta as President if it seemed good to him; but when he further said that never under any circumstances should Huerta be the President of Mexico he went a little too far. In fact, whilst saying he would never intervene he intervened, for the very nature of an intervention is an interference with the interior affairs of a country over which you have no natural right to rule. That he took such a step in perfect faith is plain to all, for Mr. Wilson is a man as honest as the day. Still the mere fact of his intention does not make his step more prudent. One hears about an honest broker (whatever that may be); but honest schoolmasters are not so common on Presidential thrones, or chairs I think they call the things. An honest pedagogue, looking upon the United States as a High School and on Mexico as a naughty boy to be deprived of play till he has purged himself of his contempt, is a new view of things.

Most schoolmasters err not from intention but from lack of knowledge of the world. Mexico is a world in itself; extremely difficult to know; cut off from the United States by language, by race, by history, and by a bar which in itself alone renders community of thought between the countries almost impossible. The United States takes its tradition from ourselves, and, as is frequent in all cases of derived traditions, holds in their entirety beliefs and prejudices which, with ourselves, time and the daily contact with peoples at least our equals have greatly modified. We, though we do not understand it, have in all, just as we allow that fun and fog exist, the existence of the Latin point of view. The Latins, equally with

out the least comprehension of it, have to allow that of the English. Neither can afford to act as if his neighbour's outlook on the world was non-existent, merely because he cannot see it standing in his own backyard. The point of view of the citizen of America and that of the Mexican are distant as the Poles. The United States took from ourselves the reverence for abstract justice and for law as an entity. The Mexican inherited from Spain the idea of individual justice (or injustice) when wrongs appeared too heavy for endurance. Thus, though of course the American no more acts up to his own code than we ourselves do, or than the French or the Chinese, he still holds that human life is sacred. The Mexican holds life cheaply, as did his ancestors in Spain. So did the Aztecs, than whom no race more savage was to be found in all America. From the two races the Mexicans have sprung. In Spain, in the old Carlist wars, prisoners on both sides were always butchered, and in Mexico killing prisoners in civil war has always been the rule. It does not strike men who hold life cheaply in the same way as it strikes ourselves. After all, it is not killing prisoners, but killing, that is the crime against the Holy Ghost. Perhaps from having lived in youth in lands where killing prisoners was a frequent thing, it does not strike me with such horror as it does other people. Where is the difference between the killing of a man who has fought to the last cartridge and killed many of your men, and then throws up his hands, and shooting down a regiment that has been manoeuvred into a place where it cannot resist? In either case you shoot men down who have no power left of resistance; and the distinction seems to me a little finely drawn. It is quite possible to shoot a prisoner and still in ordinary affairs to be humane. Those who shoot pheasants and attend bull fights do not as a rule find any pleasure in torturing a cat, and I have seen the audience in a bull-ring rise with a roar of wrath upon a bull-fighter who killed a pigeon with his sword as it flew past him in the ring.

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London, Received April 16.  
Huerta has submitted the demands of America to the Senate but their decision is up to the present unknown.

General Villa reports that the Federals retreating from San Pedro have been caught between two rebel forces. General Villa is heading his own forces and hopes to land a crushing blow.

Later.

Reuter's correspondent at Washington states that it is officially reported that Huerta has practically promised to fire the salute.

#### American Acceptance.

President Wilson, in receiving Press correspondents, said there was no precedent for refusing to return a salute; therefore President Huerta's offer must be accepted. No orders had yet been issued recalling the fleets, since the date of the salute had not been fixed. He hoped it would not be necessary to submit a message to Congress on the subject. He did not favour a blockade of the Pacific Coast because this would merely shut off trade. He might say something on the subject of the blockade and neutral nations after the salute had been fired.

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#### AMERICA DETERMINED.

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London, Received April 16.  
Huerta's Conditions.

Reuter's correspondent at Washington states that it transpires that President Huerta has attached a condition that the American ships salute acknowledging the Mexican salute. It is authoritatively stated that the only point remaining is the number of guns.

#### Crisis Considered Ended.

Officials consider that the crisis is ended, and they hint that the salute will be acknowledged, pointing out that salutes have always been acknowledged in similar disputes in the past, and that acknowledgment will in no wise constitute a recognition to the Huerta Government.

#### Franco-German Influence.

A later message from Washington states that the Government may retain increased naval forces in Mexico after the desired salute has been fired.

It is understood that the French and German Ambassadors played an important part in inducing President Huerta to yield.

When Mr. Wilson made his protest against Huerta's Presidency, he did a service to mankind. We did the same in Serbia ourselves in a like case. When he went further he was sure to fail, as all men fail who threaten without force behind them to make themselves obeyed. He must have known that Mexico was self-supporting, and hence a financial boycott had no significance. If he did not, either he had no knowledge of the world or he was badly served by those who should have known. This want of knowledge comes from a failure to take in another point of view. Had it been any European State, or had a process of the kind been applicable to the United States, it would have soon brought either to their knees. In Mexico life and conditions were arranged differently. The mines are owned chiefly by foreigners, hence all financial operations fell upon them and left the Mexicans unprotected. Huerta must have known well that he was quite beyond the reach of such a boycott as long as Mexico grew crops. General Carranza, in the north, was in another case, but he, too, was beyond the reach of all financial operations as long as the great herds of cattle roamed the plains. Then Mr. Wilson played his only card, and raised the prohibition on the import of arms. That, too, has failed, as it was bound to fail, for General Carranza, powerful in the north, is neither transport nor such a force as he can move. His men are chiefly guerrillas, each bringing his own horse and gun, but like the Highlanders of old, not liking to go far from their own homes. Lastly, there was another difficulty. General Carranza, once governor of Coahuila, lives upon protestations of his love of liberty. He, too, shoots and hangs prisoners, or at the least allows them to be shot and hung, with equanimity. His understaffer, General Villa, murders with his own hands, and both of them refuse any investigation of their deeds. Therefore between the three, Villa, Carranza, and Huerta, who, by the way, styles himself the Cromwell of Mexico, just as his predecessor General Santa Ana used to call himself the Napoleon of the West, there is not much to choose.

## TELEGRAMS.

### THE ROYAL VISIT.

#### PARIS PREPARING.

(Reuter's Service To The "Telegraph.")

London, Received April 17.  
Sir Edward Grey has had an audience with His Majesty in connection with Their Majesties' forthcoming visit to France. Already an army of decorators and electricians are transforming the streets of Paris.

## CHINESE SITUATION.

### HEMING IN "WHITE WOLF."

London, Received April 17.

Reuter's Peking correspondent states that 50,000 troops are hemming in the "White Wolf" brigades at Kienchow in Shensi, which has been looted after great slaughter.

The troops have resolutely attacked the brigands and killed hundreds, and the remainder are endeavouring to retreat. The situation has already greatly improved. Some towns have escaped looting by opening their gates to the brigands and paying heavy ransoms. Those resisting have been subjected to appalling cruelty, and many Mission doctors are attending to the wounded.

No one can say that any one of them is a man without reproach. So Mr. Wilson has got himself stalemated, and Mexico is left a prey to any leader who can gather a few hundred men and go on robbing to the cry of Liberty. This kind of warfare I have seen many a time. Nothing destroys and wastes a country more. Nothing sets brother against brother more effectually; nothing dissolves so utterly all principles of kindness between man and man. A little of such strife converts a paradise into a desert. The very animals turn wild again, and fly before man like antelope. Worst of all, it has a fascination for people who have become accustomed to it, although it falls upon the peaceful with the greatest force.

Two anecdotes will serve to illustrate my meaning. A general, at a banquet in a revolutionary State, is said to have deplored "the approach of peace, with all its misery." Another, to have written to a friend, "I send you three hundred volunteers. Do not forget to send me back the chains."

This is what now is going on in Mexico. Before the war General Tanazas was said to have a million head of cattle in the States of Coahuila and of Nuevo Leon. Now all his cattle have either been eaten up or have gone wild, and he himself lives on a little farm in California. Both parties carry on their strife under the name of Liberty. "Long live the King," give me your cloak," the Spanish proverb says. In Mexico it is the same.

I fancy that the ordinary man is in the same position as the poor Chinese in Cuba who went out peddling with a cart of notions in the old Spanish times. As revolution was perpetual, and he knew little Spanish, he had learned two phrases that he hoped would prove effectual. Somewhere about Pinar del Rio a party stopped him and his cart. The men were dressed in drill, carried machetes, wore large straw hats, and rode their horses as only those can who pass their lives upon a horse. The chief, after abstracting all that took his fancy in the cart, said: "See here, Chinaman, for who are you—for Spain or the Republic of the Single Star?" The poor Chinese "swithered" a little, as we say in Scotland, and

## TELEGRAMS.

### MAKING REBELS.

#### A BISHOP'S PROTEST.

(Reuter's Service To The "Telegraph.")

London, Received April 17.  
In a letter to the Times, the Bishop of South Tokyo strongly condemns the action of the Chinese Government in stopping supplies or recalling large numbers of Chinese students from Tokyo for political reasons. Such a policy converts quiet reasonable well-affected students into anti-Government revolutionaries.

## RACECOURSE GAMBLING.

### ONE WAY OF STOPPING IT.

London, Received April 16.

It is reported from Tulsa, Oklahoma, that, acting on orders issued by the Governor to prevent gambling on the race-course, the State Militia fired a volley overhead, as the horses were coming down the straight, thus breaking up the race.

The Adjutant-General says that if another race is run the soldiers will shoot down the horses.

then called out, "Viva Oubita libre," but scarcely had he finished than a rain of blows descended on him, and he was left half dead. The men whom he had taken for a band of patriots were Spaniards in disguise. Rabbings his shoulders, and dragging his own cart, for they had carried off his mule, he set out once again upon his way, stumbling along the bright red road, and cursing as he went. After an hour or two as he came round a turn, he fell upon another band of men. These were in rags; their machetes had no sheaths, their feet were stuck in sandals, and their horses had their manes and tails all full of burrs. Once more he was surrounded and robbed of everything that still remained, and once again he was called upon to testify. After some hesitation, he shouted out, "Viva Espana," thinking the second band was sure to be composed of Spaniards disguised as patriots. Once more a rain of blows descended on his head, and when he came back to his senses he was lying in the road alone. This time even his coat was carried off.

No one can say that such a state of things is satisfactory to ordinary men. What is the remedy? In the first place, to recognise that Mexico is a self-governing and an independent State, and that all interference from the outside will only make things worse. Surely, it does not seem impossible to compromise. If Mr. Wilson would drop bullying—for though he bullies with the best intentions he still bullies—and suggest something that both General Carranza and Huerta can agree to, much bloodshed might be saved. If he cannot, and as he has no force at his disposal, and France and England both combined could do but little if they intervened, it may be best to let the rival parties fight it out until they are exhausted. In fact, what else is there that anyone can do?—Manchester Guardian

#### New Police Magistrate.

The King, on the recommendation of the Home Secretary, has been pleased to appoint Mr. H. W. W. Wilberforce, Stipendiary Magistrate at Bradford, to be a Metropolitan Police Magistrate, to fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of Mr. Buggally.

## TELEGRAMS.

### AVIATION.

#### ST. PETERSBURG TO PEKING.

(Reuter's Service To The "Telegraph.")

London, Received April 16.  
Reuter's correspondent at Paris says the Ligue Nationale Aerienne has arranged with the Russian Aero Club for a flight from St. Petersburg to Peking, probably early in June.

## BRITISH NAVY.

### EARLY TENDERS.

London, Received April 17.

The Admiralty has invited tenders for two battleships for the 1914-15 programme.

This is the earliest inviting of tenders for many years. The ships will be ready by October 1916.

## MEXICO'S PLAN TO SECURE \$10,000,000.

New York, March 25.

A dispatch from the City of Mexico says:—A plan has been adopted by which the Treasury will secure 100,000,000 pesos (\$10,000,000), half to be immediately available and the balance as required.

The result will be the resumption of the interest on the Foreign Debt on April 1 and the early revocation of the 50 per cent. advance in the import duties. The plan involves the issue of Treasury notes against the unsold balance of the bond issue authorized in May, 1913. These bonds will be placed with Mexican banks at 30 per cent. of their face value, the banks to issue legal currency against them at a legal ratio of 3 to 1.

The plan only awaits President Huerta's signature, and this is expected in a day or two. In consideration of the banks' assistance President Huerta promises to abandon the Federal Bank scheme and also the proposed 1 per cent. tax on the capital of corporations and individuals.

## BRITISH SHIPBUILDING PLANT IN HOLLAND.

Messrs. Furness, Withy's Enterprise.

The Times Darlington correspondent states that substantial progress has recently been made by Messrs. Furness, Withy, and Co. in the development of their plans for establishing a shipbuilding and repairing yard on a large site at Schiedam, near Rotterdam. A contract has been placed recently with Messrs. Swan, Hunter, and Wigham for the construction on the Tyne, and delivery at Rotterdam, of a large floating dock for the new yard.

The dock will be of the sectional type, combining the advantages of the great longitudinal strength of the box type with facility for self-docking. It will have a lifting capacity of 10,000 tons, and will be the longest dock of this particular type which has yet been built, although somewhat similar bolted sectional floating docks are already in operation.

## NEWS FOR BUSY MEN.

### TELEGRAMS.

#### CONDENSED.

President Huerta continues to treat the situation lightly.

The constitution of the new Japanese Cabinet is given in a special cable to-day.

An aviation flight from St. Petersburg to Peking has been arranged.

Anti-American demonstrations are reported from Vera Cruz and other points.

President Huerta has decided to fire the salute demanded by America on the latter agreeing to acknowledge the same.

The Changli incident is closed by Japan agreeing to remit \$20,000 for the relief of the families of the deceased police.

To prevent gambling on the Racecourse the State Militia fired a volley during a race at Tulsa, U.S.A., breaking up the race.

It is reported that President Huerta has practically promised to fire the salute demanded by the United States.

President Wilson has notified President Huerta that the time for delay and invasion has passed and America will temporise no longer.

By a resolution of the Chinese Financial Conference, all chiefs of Taxation Bureaux are in future required to remit gross receipts to Peking.

The Bishop of South Tokyo states that the recalling of Chinese students from Japan converts them into anti-Government revolutionaries.

## NEWS.

General news appears on page 3 and log book on page 6.

"Betsey" was produced at the Theatre Royal last night, and the comedy proved a big success.

Arrangements for the dog show were completed at a meeting last night.

An interesting letter to the editor, offering a solution of the housing problem appears to-day.

The annual meeting of the China Traders Insurance Company, Ltd., was held to-day.

The annual meeting of the Union Insurance Company of Canton, Limited, is reported in to-day's issue.

## DON'T FORGET.

### TO-DAY.

"Betsey" Theatre Royal—9.15 p.m.

Bijou Theatre 9.15 p.m.

Victoria Theatre 9.15 p.m.

### TOMORROW.

Bijou Theatre—9.15 p.m.

Victoria Theatre—9.15 p.m.

"Betsey" Theatre Royal—9.15 p.m.

V. R. C. Sports, Happy Valley.

R. G. A. Sports U.S.B.C. Kowloon.

Sale of Chinese Porcelains etc.

Messrs. Hughes & Hough—2.30 p.m.

Monday April 20.

Extraordinary General Meeting of H.K. Cotton S. W. and D. Co. 11 a.m.

Hongkong Schools Athletic Sports—noon.

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Messrs. Hughes & Hough—2.30 p.m.

Tuesday April 21.

Annual General Meeting of Shareholders—Green Island Cement Co.—11.30 a.m.

Sale of Chinese Porcelains etc.

Messrs. Hughes & Hough—2.30 p.m.

Sale of Household Furniture and Canton Blackwood—G.P. Lammer's Room—2.30 p.m.



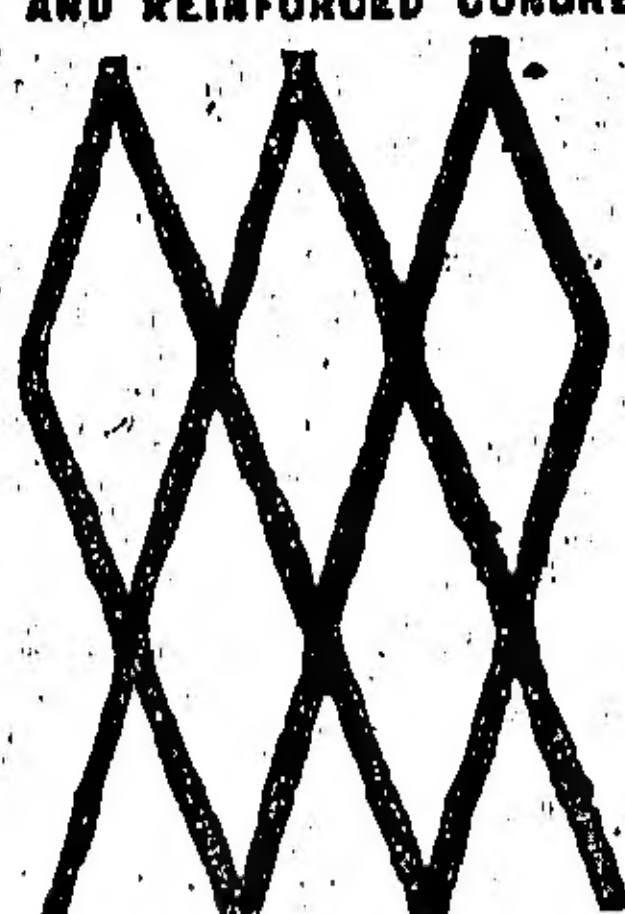
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Lai's Press.

Lack of Trust.

But even though it be far too sweeping an assertion to say that no man in China really implicitly trusts another, there is abundant justification for regarding mutual distrust as a national characteristic. We all know how fatal this mutual suspicion has been to public progress in China. Suspicion of the motives of the Government has delayed the reforms which China needs, and may it not be said that mutual distrust and suspicion have been larger factors than any other in wrecking the new-born Constitution? A republican form of government is manifestly impossible while this lack of mutual confidence prevails. The authorities of public schools like St. Stephen's College do right to make the building up of character their chief aim; for mutual confidence is but a result of faith in the strict moral integrity of the individual. His Excellency's remark is manifestly true that the Chinese would carry more weight abroad and would manage their affairs in their own country far better if they would cultivate the power of working together with mutual trust and confidence. That spirit would be a tremendous asset to China; and moulders of Chinese public opinion would be rendering the State a great service by sedulously preaching the necessity for cultivating this as a new national characteristic in place of one which is fatal to sound progress and development.

South China Morning Post.

The Okuma Ministry.

"The Sage of Waseda" seems to be the sole survivor of the men upon whom young Japan has leaned since the Restoration, and with the passing of Count Okuma a new era will be opened in which younger men will undertake the work carried on under such difficulties by their seniors. The coming man in Japan is undoubtedly Baron Kato, who so long and honourably filled the responsible position of Ambassador to the Court St. James, and his prominence in connection with *Rikken doshi-kai* naturally leads to the assumption that the Okuma Ministry will be but a stop-gap to tide the nation over the naval scandal and that Count Okuma will merely act as adviser to Baron Kato. The day of party politics in Japan has arrived, and with the debasement of the *Shiyukai*, everything points to a short tenure of office by the new Premier and the ultimate rise to power of the *Rikken doshi-kai* under the leadership of Baron Kato.

China Mail.

Naval and Military Aviation.

The establishment during the past year of a department for inspecting aviation supplies, and for periodically examining aeroplanes and engines, has also another step in the right direction, it marks a writer in *Engineering* of the 13th ult. These machines are well known to be particularly liable to deterioration in service, and at least one fatal accident has been traced to a cause which could have been discovered by efficient inspection. The recurrence of such accidents should therefore be prevented by the new department. Careful inspection should also do much to keep the greatest possible number of machines in service by notifying small defects at their inception. The number of machines in the possession of the War Office on the February 25 was 161, as compared with 100 at about this time last year. During the period no less than eighty aeroplanes have been struck off the list and replaced, so that most of those now in use should be modern machines in first-class condition; a large number of new machines are also on order.

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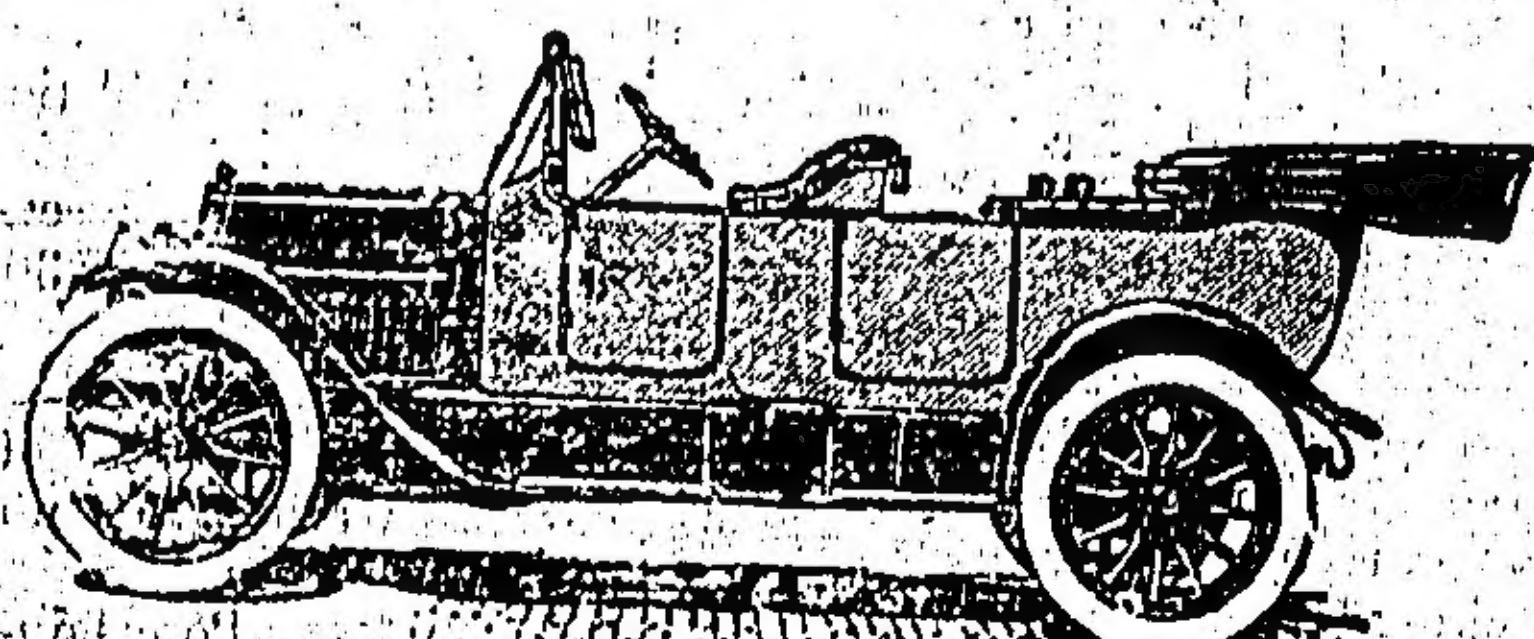
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## GENERAL NEWS.

**Foot-and-Mouth Disease.**  
Another outbreak of foot-and-mouth disease was reported in Cork within half a mile of the city.

**Royal Show Postponed.**  
The Royal Dublin Society which was originally fixed for April 14 to 17, has been postponed to May 5 to 8.

**Women Police.**  
A proposal to employ women police officers has been placed before the Blackburn Watch Committee by the Mayor, who is chairman of the committee.

**George IV.'s Breakfast Room.**  
Progress is being made with the reconstruction of a part of the historic Royal Pavilion at Brighton. George IV.'s breakfast room and adjacent portions of the building are being pulled down in order to provide improved cloak-room accommodation.

**Sir John Moore Memorial.**  
Mr. John Tweed, who has been entrusted with the design of the statue to be erected at Shorncliffe Camp to Sir John Moore in connection with the Military Library scheme, has completed his preliminary sketch in clay. The statue is to suggest, without actually indicating, Moore's attitude when drilling the Light Brigade on the plain at Shorncliffe.

**An Open-Air School.**  
The Brighton Education Committee has approved the plans for the erection of a new elementary school in the northern district of the town at a cost of £20,000. It will be the first public school in the borough built upon the open-air principle, and it is to be constructed entirely of one floor. Accommodation for 700 boys, girls, and infants is provided, and swimming and shower baths and a domestic training department, including a laundry, form part of the scheme.

**A Church for Women.**  
The first church for women was opened recently at Wall-sey. 'The Church of the New Ideal,' as it is called; had its origin in the dissatisfaction with the conditions under which women do much of their work but have little voice in the management. Sermons were preached on the opening day by the Rev. Harry Baker, of Plymouth, who declared that women's ideals and dreams would be realized, although they would have to endure persecution, laughter, and ridicule. The new church is officered entirely by women.

**Singer in a Workhouse.**  
Some time ago it was brought to the notice of the West Ham Guardians that there was in their workhouse a girl named Mabel Clark, who possessed a very remarkable contralto voice. Several of the Guardians took occasion to hear the child, who was employed as a domestic servant, and were so much impressed that they took expert advice on the matter. The Royal College of Music reported that the girl had the makings of a very unusual contralto voice, and recommended that her musical education should be carefully watched. The Guardians have determined to give the girl every chance of developing her gift.

**The Dog Show.**  
The 27th annual Dog Show at Manchester, which was opened at Belle Vue, was distinguished by a "record" entry and a decided advance in the general quality of the exhibits. No fewer than 3,044 dogs were entered, and many of the most famous breeders exhibited animals of championship class. The show was honoured with the presence of Queen Alexandra, and in the exhibitors' list her Majesty was most successful with her famous basset hounds, which were flattered with the greatest attention and admiration by the large crowds throughout the day.

**Mr. Jesse Collings's Successor.**  
A serious difference of opinion has arisen amongst the Borderley Unionists as to who shall be the candidate to succeed Mr. Jesse Collings, and a split is threatened. Several conferences on the subject between the Liberal Unionists and Conservatives have been held, but no agreement has been arrived at. The Liberal Unionists have now taken the matter into their own hands, and have recommended Alderman Jepcott for adoption by the Conservatives of the division. Alderman Jepcott, however, is not acceptable to them, and they ask that a second name shall be submitted.

## UNDER EUROPEAN PROTECTION.

Where Opium Can Still be Smoked in China.

A remarkable development of the opium question is reported from Shanghai as a result of the decision of the British Government that although no more opium is to be exported from India to China nothing can be done to alleviate the evils caused by the accumulation of stocks at Shanghai and other Treaty Ports, says the *Daily News*.

What is now happening is that the traffic in opium, rigorously suppressed in China itself, is being carried on in the British and other foreign concessions at Hankow, Foochow, and elsewhere, and more particularly under the protection of the Shanghai Municipal Council, on which the majority of members are British.

**"Foreign Muck" Shops.**  
"Whilst the Municipal Council has reluctantly tolerated the slow extinction of the opium dens," writes the *National Review* (Shanghai), "it now stands idly by and watches the number of shops for the retail sale of 'foreign muck' increasing enormously. In the fashionable district of Sanghai, the Foochow Road and its purlieus, new 'Foreign Muck' signs are going up every day, and within a furlong of the Municipal Council buildings there are dozens of places where opium may be bought retail for consumption off the premises; the hotels also are reported to be doing a thriving business by letting rooms to 'confined smokers' from the country, most of them wealthy people who have come to Shanghai simply and solely to enjoy the vicious luxury of smoking opium in places where they will not be disturbed by the visits of the Chinese Government opium inspectors."

**Opium Smoking Trips.**  
Within the past few days we have heard of wealthy men, with magnificent houses in the large cities of the interior, coming to Shanghai simply in order that they may smoke opium. The result is that rents are going up, and all concerned—hotel-keepers, retailers, and wholesale merchants and importers—are doing a roaring trade. The columns of the Chinese daily papers are now full of scores of advertisements of retail opium dealers, new names being added every day.

## SHIPS' CLEANING AFLOAT.

Device to Obviate need for Drydocking.

A demonstration was given at the West India Export Dock recently, in the presence of a number of representatives of foreign Governments and others interested in shipping, of a method by which ships can have their hulls cleaned without the necessity for going into dry dock. The appliance, which is of Australian origin and is owned by the Submarine Motor Ship Cleaner Company, consists essentially of a cylindrical brush driven by a submersible motor, the whole being suspended in the water by means of a winch from the deck of a barge. The brush is 5 ft. long by 12 in. in diameter, with 2½ in. bristles, and revolves 150 or 170 times a minute; it is kept in contact with the hull of the vessel under treatment by a screw propeller placed at the back of the frame on which it is carried, the same motor driving both the brush and the propeller. The electric energy is generated by a 28 h.p. petrol engine and dynamo carried on the barge.

The appliance is lowered from the surface of the water to such a depth as the draught may require at any speed from 35 to 70 feet a minute, and the most suitable speed being 45 ft. a minute, and then drawn up again, both the brush and the propeller being at work all the time. In this way a vertical strip of the vessel's hull, 5 ft. wide, is cleaned, and then the barge is moved a distance of 4 ft. and the operation repeated, ample margin being thus provided to ensure the overlapping of adjacent strips. The time required to clean a vessel 400 ft. to 500 ft. in length and of average draught is stated to be about seven hours.

## MYSTERIOUS FIRES.

The Problem of Cotton Conflagrations in Bombay.

The great cotton fire at Colaba Cotton Green, Bombay, has resulted in a loss of something like £500,000. It broke out on March 23 morning, and since then there have been three other outbreaks in the vicinity.

On March 24 some cotton bales were found to be on fire behind the Fire Brigade Station, and the flames were promptly extinguished. In the afternoon of the same day there was another outbreak, and 51 bales were destroyed. Next morning at exactly the same spot there was yet another conflagration, and nearly 300 bales were lost by fire and damaged by water.

What does this startling succession of fires point to? What is the origin of them? That is a problem that the insurance companies would pay a pretty substantial sum to find out. It is a curious fact that when the cotton market fluctuates, knowing people declare that there will be fires. The market at present is fluctuating.

**Unbearable.**  
In course of conversation with several insurance agents, the writer was informed that the continuation of these mysterious fires was intolerable from an insurance point of view. "We do not object to fires," was the cry "but when we get one after another with no clue as to the origin the position becomes unbearable. Remember, we have a Salvage Corps of 42 lascars under two Europeans, patrolling this Green during the 24 hours. In addition, many of the firms have their own watchmen looking after their jetties."

In seeking for the cause of the fires there may be a great deal in the supposition which is generally prevalent that the outbreaks are caused by the careless use of matches and pipes smoking, but that can account for all these fires? Ruler tells us that the huge conflagration at Colaba would be considered big even for a cotton fire in the United States, where they do not do things by halves. It might be added that there has never been a fire in the cotton warehouses at Liverpool, to touch this in the extent of the damage done.

**Insurance Rates.**  
What effect the fire will have on insurance premiums has not at present been decided. Some time ago the various companies increased their rates for cotton at the Colaba Green from 4 to 8 annas per cent. per annum. There was a certain amount of objection taken to this, but in view of subsequent events the rates are not excessive, to say the least of it.

To give some idea of the number of serious fires that have occurred during the last few years in Bombay Press factories alone, we give the following list:—

1006 New Prince of Wales Press	Rs. 2,46,600
1916 Chandra Ramji Press Godown	2,25,000
1907 David Sassoon Press	7,40,000
1907 Bombay Cotton Press	2,70,000
1009 Akbar Press	1,40,000
1911 Colaba Cotton Press	8,000
1912 Sugar (late David Sassoon) Press	2,50,000
1913 Akbar Press	50,000
1914 Prince of Wales Press	1,00,000
1914 Goudas Callianji Press	4,00,000

With such a record it is somewhat surprising that companies will touch the business at all. The list does not include the present fire, and it should be remembered, refers to press factories only.

The biggest cotton fire, in Bombay, previous to that of Monday, occurred on February 21, 1912, when the damage amounted to over 15 lakhs of rupees.

**Bad Season Up-Country.**  
It is not only in the City of Bombay that there have been disastrous cotton fires, however, for the present season is the worst on record for fires in the

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compounds of up-country ginning and pressing factories. Amongst those that have occurred this year may be mentioned:—

At Nagpur, on January 19; loss, one lakh.

At Dondaicha, on February 10; loss, one lakh.

At Nawangi, on February 26; loss, Rs. 30,000.

At Latur, in March; loss, Rs. 30,000.

At Nanded, on March 2; loss, seven lakhs.

At Nanded, on March 7; loss, Rs. 11,000.

The big fire at Nanded on March 2, resulted in at total loss to the insurance companies of 4-1/2 lakhs only, as a great many merchants were under insured and some were not insured at all.

These figures only touch the more serious outbreaks, and will show that the insurance companies have been having anything but a cheerful time of it. *Advocate of India.*

**Memorials at Selby Abbey.**  
Mr. William Liversidge, of Millgate House, Selby, through whose liberality the south transept of Selby Abbey was rebuilt, has announced his intention of placing two stained-glass windows in that

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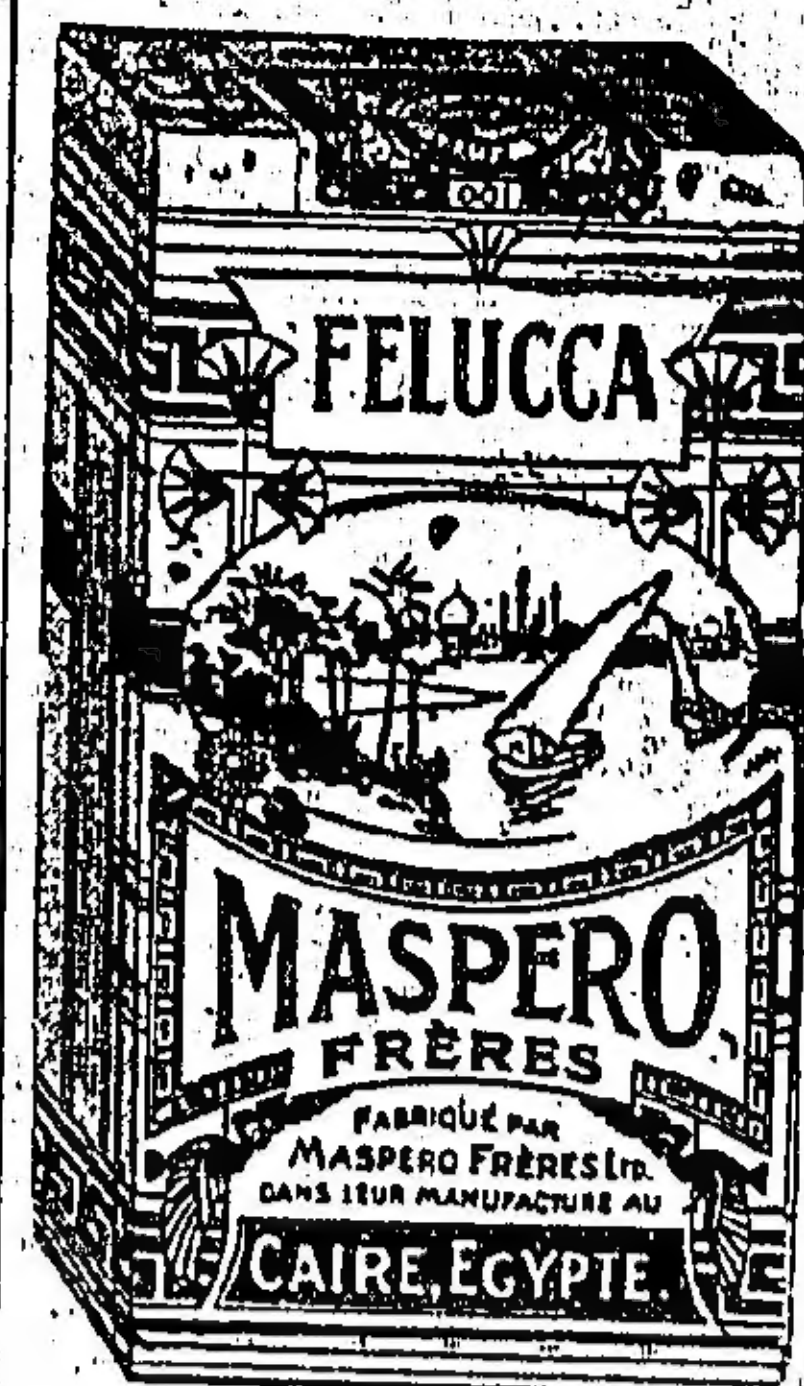
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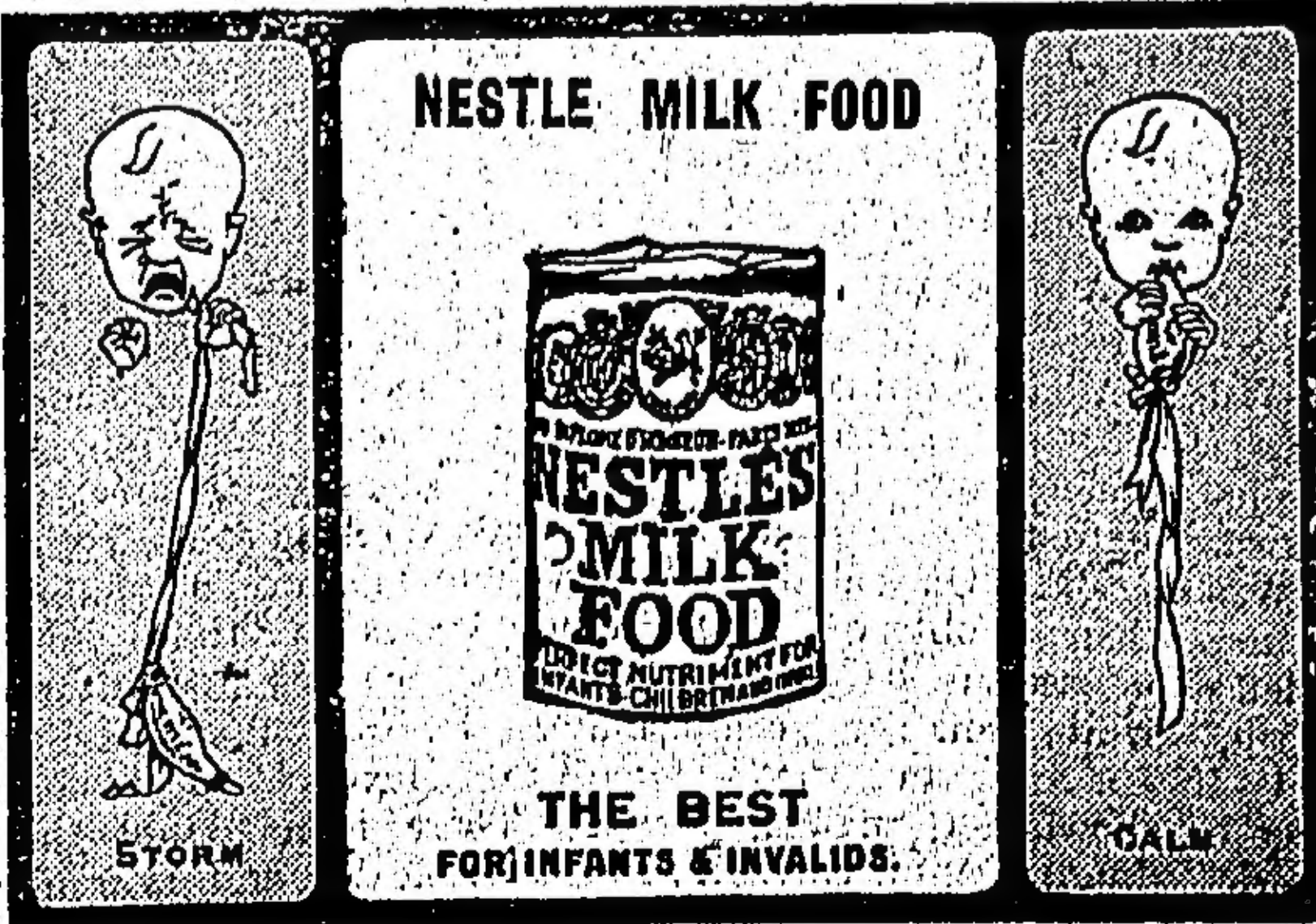
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### THE MEXICAN OUTLOOK.

Ever since the displacement of General Diaz in 1910 Mexico has known no political peace. Faction has waged war against faction, and revolution has succeeded revolution in rapid succession. With the country's internal troubles as such, other nations have not been concerned, but, unfortunately, foreign lives and property have not escaped injury. The United States has been drawn into the vortex of unrest not only because of her peculiar relationship to the Latin Republics but also by reason of the obviously studied insults which have been directed against her by the Mexicans. All along, however, America has followed a most patient policy; she has been "watching and waiting," and both President Taft and President Wilson have displayed a forbearance which ought to have been appreciated by the Mexicans, but which, apparently, has been construed as a sign of weakness and timidity more than anything else.

It is common history now how America was first content to police the Mexican frontier and then was compelled to step over the border and stop the conflict between the troops and the insurgents when, in the course of the fighting, residents of Douglas, in Arizona, were wounded by bullets. The situation was then, in the latter part of 1912, extremely critical, and it was only a couple of months later that President Wilson's plans for dealing with Mexico were announced. These, it will be recalled, included the elimination of President Huerta by force of arms if necessary, a blockade of the coast by U. S. warships, and the possibility of the collection of the Mexican Customs by the U. S. Navy in order to bring pressure to bear on the Administration.

Since those days the situation has gone from bad to worse, and the Wilson Administration has come in for more than its share, perhaps, of hostile criticism. In Texas particularly, where inhabitants have suffered severely from the depredations of the restless Mexicans, extreme dissatisfaction has been expressed at the policy of Washington. One of the journals there summed up public opinion when it observed that there comes a time when patience ceases to be virtue and when charity constitutes a sin, while another commentator foresees the possible need of sending an armed force to Mexico "to restore peace by showing them a real war." There is no doubt that America's kindly policy has been mocked by Mexico, and it would seem that the limit of patience has been reached. It is a most delicate and difficult position in which President Wilson finds himself. Some other way out may be found, but yesterday it seemed as though armed intervention was the only solution. What that would eventually lead to, no one could say. At any rate, the news to-day wears a brighter aspect.

### The Premier's Vocabulary.

In the course of a passage at arms between Mr. Asquith and Mr. Bonar Law in the House of Commons the Prime Minister appears rather to have floundered the members of the Press Gallery by the use of a word. Mr. Asquith, in reply to a question, said that "if our general proposal is rejected it will obviously be a waste of time to discuss ancillary and consequential points of detail." The word ancillary—if that was the word—appears to have given trouble. The *Manchester Guardian* gives it as auxiliary, one or two papers give subsidiary, but the *Times* is most probably correct in using the word which we have quoted. It is not often that the members of the Press Gallery are beaten by a word, but this one seems to have bested them. The man who wrote auxiliary, however, got very near to the meaning anyhow.

### Seals and Tigers.

The tiger story is followed by another of seals having been seen this week near Cheung Chau. If this sort of thing continues, Hongkong will soon become famous for its interest in natural history, perhaps for its tall stories. There is nothing greatly out of the way in a story of seals having been seen in this quarter, to be sure, and they may be seen again. By the way, when is a really determined hunt for that elusive tiger to be made? Apparently he has started to feed on bullocks now—though that does not explain what he fed on before—and he may become a man-eater next. After a child or two has been killed the end of that tiger will come swiftly, but it would be wiser to have the tiger killed first.

### A Wise Step.

It will be observed from a special cable appearing to-day that the Financial Conference in Peking has passed a resolution to the effect that all Chiefs of the Taxation Bureaux in the Provinces must remit their gross receipts to Peking in future without permitting local officials to draw thereon, and that the Peking Government will hereafter pay all Provincial officials. This is a very wise and satisfactory step, and should conduce more than any other resolve to the real consolidation of the Republic. The only point is whether the Central Government will be able to enforce the rule if it should be passed on as an instruction to the Provincial authorities. Hitherto several of the Provinces have refused to discharge their obvious obligations to Peking, and it will be interesting to see how they will take the new proposal. It is one which is in keeping with sound and efficient administration, but we are afraid that that is no guarantee that it will be accepted by the more recalcitrant of the Provinces.

### But—

In many parts of the Republic the utmost difficulty is being experienced in securing revenue sufficient to meet current needs, and, remembering the temper of the Southern Provinces particularly, it is doubtful if, when they have managed to get in some funds, they will willingly remit it to Peking in the trust that the Central Government will in turn see that the local officials are paid. There are grounds for doubting it, and that fact provides another illustration of the point which His Excellency the Governor made on Wednesday, when he spoke of the lack of mutual confidence between Chinese.

### AN EXPENSIVE MEAL.

#### Second Officer's Way of Paying.

This morning in the Police Court, before Mr. C.D. Melbourne, Olaf Bjorndal, a Norwegian and second officer of the s.s. *Chensun* was summoned for assault.

Defendant pleaded guilty. It appeared that yesterday the defendant went into the Alexandra Cafe and ordered a meal which cost \$1.50. He had only \$1.30 with him, and when the boy asked for the balance of 20 cents, the defendant hit him on the head with a container for a ball of twine. No mark was made on the boy's head.

The defendant was fined \$5.

### DAY BY DAY.

THE LONGING FOR IGNOBLE THINGS.  
THE STRIFE FOR TRIUMPH MORE THAN TRUTH.  
THE HARDENING OF THE HEART.  
THAT BRINGS IRREVERENCE FOR THE DREAMS OF YOUTH.  
ALL THOUGHTS OF ILL ALL EVIL DEEDS.  
THAT HAVE THEIR ROOTS IN THOUGHTS OF ILL.  
WHATEVER HINDERS OR IMPEDES.  
THE ACTION OF THE NOBLER WILL.  
ALL THESE MUST FIRST BE TRAMPLED DOWN.  
BENEATH OUR FEET, BE IF WE WOULD GAIN.  
IN THE BRIGHT FIELDS OF FAIR REOWN.  
THE RIGHT OF EMINENT DOMAIN.

#### The Weather.

Lower level 8 a.m. Temp 68; rain.  
At the Peak 8 a.m. Temp 60; wind and rain.

#### The Mails.

Siberian Mail.—Due per s.s. *Liangchow* to-day.

Australian Mail.—Arrived per s.s. *Taiyuan* this morning.

Australian Mail.—Closes per s.s. *Fring Sigismund* at 8 a.m. to-morrow.

Siberian Mail.—Closes per s.s. *Chensun* at 5 p.m. to-morrow.

#### B. O. C. Sports.

Entries for the B. O. C. sports close to-morrow. The sports are to be held to-morrow week.

#### Cook Robbed.

The cook of 87th Coy. R.G.A. at Stonecutters Island has reported to the Police, the theft from his premises of clothing, watch and money to the value of \$25.

#### Allice Memorial Hospital.

The Hon. Treasurer of the Allice Memorial and Affiliated Hospitals begs to acknowledge with thanks the following donation to the funds of the Hospitals:—A. B. L. \$5.

#### Fell Overboard.

The master of a licensed junk has reported to the Police the death of one of his folk, named Wong Tai-nam, who fell overboard and was drowned during a squall of Lamas.

#### Theft from a Bungalow.

Mr. P. Goldring has reported to the Police the theft from the bungalow in his bungalow at Fanling, of two overcoats worth thirty dollars. There was also stolen seven bottles of Vichy water and nine soup plates.

#### Left by the Empress.

Among the passengers who left by the Empress of Asia yesterday were Major General Kelly, Major McHardy, Capt. Ely, Lieut. Col. Radcliffe, the Hon. Mr. A.M. Thomson, Mr. G. M. Young and Mr. H.U. Jeffries.

#### Helped Himself.

A Chinese, whom the Police say is a stranger to hard work, appeared this morning before Mr. Wong on a charge of stealing two jackets from a veranda by means of a long bamboo pole. One month's hard labour was the sentence meted out.

#### Arcadia's Cargo.

Among the cargo shipped from Hongkong by the P. and O. steamer *Arcadia* on the 11th inst. were 90 bales of waste silk for Manchester; 50 bales of waste silk, 918 bales of hemp and 50 bales of magney for London; 100 bales of raw silk for Lyons; 95 bales of raw silk for Anvers; and 400 slabs of tin for Port Said.

#### Claim for \$11.

In the Summary Court this morning, before Mr. Justice Hazeldan, the case was called in which Kate Harrop sued B. M. Vieira for \$11.50. Mr. Lewis, of Messrs. Johnston, Stokes and Master, appeared for plaintiff and defendant did not appear. Mr. Lewis said he would prove the case in Chambers to-morrow.

#### Latest Advertisements.

The settlement days in connection with the Stockbrokers' Association are notified in an advertisement.—Page 5.

The annual meeting of the Hongkong Chamber of Commerce is to be held on the 28th inst.—Page 5.

The annual meeting of the Association of Exporters and Dealers is to be held on the 20th inst.—Page 5.

A general meeting of members of the Chamber of Commerce is to be held on the 28th inst. to consider alterations in by-laws.—Page 5.

Cinematograph films of the Anzani Expedition are to be shown at the Theatre Royal from April 20 to 25.—Page 5.

### "BETSY."

Clever Production at the Theatre Royal.

A good many years have passed since Hongkong first saw "Betsy" played, and its revival last night was a triumph for the thirteen amateurs who took part in it. It is a thousand pities that the weather was so wretchedly poor for otherwise the Garrison Ladies Help Society, the Hongkong Benevolent Association, the Soldiers and Sailors Home, and the European Y. M. C. A. would have been more greatly helped. The comedy is being staged for the purpose of helping these institutions, and it is to be hoped that better weather will favour the production to-night and to-morrow. The audience was far from being poor last night, but it was not what it would have been had the rain held off.

"Betsy" is not the most appropriate title that could have been chosen for the little maid-servant has not a deal to do with the action of the comedy. But what matters that when the pieces goes with a rattle from start to finish? Since it was written by F. C. Burnand it is, of course, full of "happy thoughts" and phrases and the situations are as diverting as could be imagined. It is impossible adequately to summarise the story of "Betsy." It is a story of awkward happening following awkward happening until the whole is a mass of entangling situations. The further it goes, the more uproarious becomes the laughter, and there is as much fun in the unravelling of the entanglement as there is in the making of the coil.

The members of the cast last night were all new to the Hongkong stage, and Hongkong can do with further appearances of the same ladies and gentlemen. Special mention must be made of Lt.-Col. Cromie R. N. who appeared as "Mr. Dawson," a tutor, and of Colonel O'Hara as "Captain McManus." The tutor is an imprudacious gentleman, strong on morality when it suits him, but knowing a thing or two all the same. His passages from grave to gay, his bargaining for the best possible terms, his highly moral observations all were admirably done. Colonel O'Hara had a part that suited him admirably, that of a sportive Irishman with a tender heart when he saw a pretty face, and a fine, breezy manner. There never was lack of fun while he was on the stage, and he had a deal to do with the success of the piece. Mrs. Fitzwilliams' study of Mrs. Birkett was careful and well-considered. In many ways her work was the most artistic of the evening. She was the devoted mother to the life. Mrs. Cromie as "Betsy" was an attractive figure and her stage business was especially clever. Major Orisp as "Mr. Birkett," and Mr. Anton (D.O.L.I.) as "Adolphus Birkett," the boy who was mollycoddled by his mother but who knew his way about all the same, also deserve to be mentioned. Mrs. O'Hara appeared as "Mrs. McManus" and she played up admirably to her husband. Take it all in all the production was well above the average for amateurs, and there ought to be bumper houses, rain or no rain, to-night and to-morrow night. Amongst those present last night were H. E. the Governor, Lady May and Miss May.

The cast is as follows:—Mr. Birkett, Major Orisp, R.A.M.C.; Mrs. Birkett, Mrs. Fitzwilliams; Betsy (The Maid), Mrs. Cromie; Adolphus Birkett, Mr. Anton. D.O.L.I.; William (A Man Servant), Mr. N. Gordon Walker; Mr. Dawson (A Tutor), Lt.-Col. Orisp, R.N.; Dick Talbot, Lt. Thomas, R.M.L.I.; Capt. McManus, Colonel O'Hara; Mrs. McManus, Mrs. O'Hara; Hairdresser, Mr. Traffit; Madame Polenta, Mrs. Thomas; Nellie Basset, Miss Baker Brown; Clara Peyton, Mrs. Moxon Brown. It should be added that objects of art and art furniture were lent for the production by Messrs. Komor and Komor. Furniture was also loaned by Messrs. Wm. Powell, Ltd., and study fittings by Messrs. Kelly and Walsh. The Hongkong Amateur Orchestra under the direction of Prof. Gonzales, rendered selections.

There being no questions I beg to move the adoption of the report and accounts as presented.  
Mr. W. Danbar, in seconding said:—  
In seconding the adoption of the Accounts for the past year, I do so with considerable pleasure. The Balance Sheet shows clearly the ability and foresight with which this Company has been managed in years gone by. The building up of the reserves enables the management now, when rates of premium are lower, to cover a much larger field and thus keep up the earning powers of the Company. The statement of Accounts shows with a paid up Capital of \$1,240,000, the Company has now accumulated funds of over \$11,000,000 or equal to nine times the paid up Capital, and this after treating

### COMPANY MEETINGS.

The Union Insurance Society of Canton Ltd.  
[VERBATIM.]

The forty-first ordinary meeting of the Shareholders in the Union Insurance Society of Canton Ltd., was held to-day at noon at the offices of the Society when Mr. W. L. Pattenden presided. There were also present:—Messrs J.W.C. Bonnar, H.A. Seibs, S.H. Dodwell, J.A. Plummer, and P.H. Holyoak directors, Mr. G.H.P. Hay, acting Secretary, and Messrs W.G. W.Darby, Ho Fook, A. V. Apoor, C.D. Wilkinson, O.Pem-berton, T.F. Hough, F. Maitland, O.Barnard Brown and C.O.F. Cunningham, shareholders.

The secretary having read the notice convening the meeting the Chairman said:—Gentlemen, before proceeding with the business of the meeting I will first refer with deep regret to the death of Mr. G. Friesland who, but for his untimely decease, would have occupied the chair at this meeting. He took a keen interest in the affairs of the society and his memory will be retained by your directors with the highest regard.

The report having been in your hands for some time I will, with your permission take it as well as the auditor's report as read.

The Premium Income for 1912, shows a considerable increase over that of 1911 part of this is due to the sterling figures being converted into dollars at a lower rate of exchange and part to the better state of trade generally throughout the year. 1912 is a memorable year for Marine Insurance Companies, for it had to meet a number of liner losses, the most notable of which was the s.s. "Titanic" and it closed with a series of storms which did considerable damage. The maintenance of our divisible balance may therefore be looked upon as quite satisfactory.

Turning to the balance sheet you will notice a commendable increase in the Reinsurance Fund and underwriting suspense account. The figures at which our investments stand are the market values on the 31st December last. First class sterling securities were then, as you are well aware, greatly depreciated, and although we have a comfortable sum in the Investment Fluctuation Account to enable them to be written down even further, the recent upward movement leads us to hope that the account will be more likely to recover itself than otherwise.

Your directors are pleased to be able to recommend payment of a final dividend of \$20 per share making a total of \$50 for 1912; the transfer of \$25,000 to Sterling Reserve and the carrying forward of the balance of \$100,077.59 to Underwriting Suspense Account.

Turning to 1913 the figures show an increase in the Balance carried forward and we feel we can safely recommend the payment of an Interim Dividend of \$30 per share and a bonus of 20 per cent. on contributory premiums.

I am sure, gentlemen, that you will agree that the statement of accounts is very satisfactory and endorse our action in voting a bonus of 15 per cent. of a year's salary to the Provident fund of each member of our staff in the Society's employ at the end of this month. Before proposing the adoption of the report, I shall be glad to know if any shareholder wishes to ask any questions.

There being no questions I beg to move the adoption of the report and accounts as presented.

Mr. W. Danbar, in seconding said:—

In seconding the adoption of the Accounts for the past year, I do so with considerable pleasure. The Balance Sheet shows clearly the ability and foresight with which this Company has been managed in years gone by. The building up of the reserves enables the management now, when rates of premium are lower, to cover a much larger field and thus keep up the earning powers of the Company. The statement of Accounts shows with a paid up Capital of \$1,240,000, the Company has now accumulated funds of over \$11,000,000 or equal to nine times the paid up Capital, and this after treating

### DOG SHOW.

Arrangements Completed for Event on May 16.

A meeting in connection with the forthcoming Dog Show was held last evening at the Asker House Hotel when arrangements were completed for the annual show to be held on May 16.

The arrangements include rules for the keeping of the dogs at the show through the afternoon. Judging is to commence at 2 p.m. and all dogs have to be in their places an hour before that time. Owners, who have to supply a suitable collar and chain, may send their exhibits by servant if they choose, a ticket for this purpose being granted by the committee. A further rule provides that no dog may be removed from the benches until the close of the show.

#### The Classes.

The following are the classes of exhibits arranged for:—Fox Terriers, smooth; Fox Terriers, wire; Irish Terriers, Bull Terriers, Aberdeen Terriers, Chow, smooth; German Pinche Hunde, Dachsunds, Pointers, Setters, English Pugs, Toys, (Pekingese) Toys, (Japanese), Toys, (any other), Poodles, Airedales, Bull dogs, and Spaniels, any variety. A prize will also be given for the Championship dog selected from the winners of first prizes.

The judges who will act are:—H.E. the Governor, Commander C. W. Beckwith, Messrs. H.J. Geddes, F. J. McCarthy, G.W. Gegg and Ewert Pitt.

The Committee is as follows:—Mr. D. V. Stevenson, chairman, Sir C. P. Chester C. M. G., the Hon. Mr. E. Shellim, Commander Beckwith, Messrs. H. J. Geddes, R. G. Munro and Dr. A. Gibson, with Mr. C. Campbell, as secretary.

their shareholders with liberal dividends every year. To my mind, it shows the Company is, and has been, managed in the interests of the shareholders. The interest account is now about equal to the dividends being paid, leaving the underwriting profits to further build up the reserves which is certainly sound business. The Company has gained this enviable position, and may now be regarded as one of the premier marine insurance companies of the World, by the prompt adjustment of claims and the broad lines on which it is managed. In looking back over the work of 43 years, we still find the names of Etes and Saunders as secretary and underwriter. May their good management long continue. The dividend of \$50.00 per share is, I think, liberal, and should meet the approval of the shareholders, and the placing of 15 per cent. of the staff's yearly salaries to the Provident Fund is a wise provision. With these few remarks, Mr. Chairman, I beg to second the adoption of the accounts.

The Chairman:—Proposed by myself and seconded by Mr. Dunbar that the report and accounts before you be adopted. Those in favour, please signify the same in the usual way.—Those against.—Barred unanimously. The next business will be the reelection of the directors.

Mr. C. D. Wilkinson:—I beg to propose that Mr. Dodwell and Mr. Plummer be reelected as directors.

Mr. Maitland:—I beg to second that.

The Chairman:—Proposed by Mr. Wilkinson and seconded by Mr. Maitland that Messrs. Dodwell and Plummer be reelected as directors. Those in favour, please signify in the usual manner.—Those against.—Carried unanimously. The next business is the appointment of auditors.

Mr. Hough:—I beg to propose the reappointment of Messrs. A. R. Lowe and C. Barnard Brown as auditors at a remuneration of one thousand dollars each per annum. Those in favour.

Mr. Darby:—I beg to second that.

The Chairman:—Proposed by Mr. Hough and seconded by Mr. Darby that Messrs. A. R. Lowe and C. Barnard Brown be re-appointed auditors at a remuneration of one thousand dollars each per annum. Those in favour.

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# THE HONGKONG TELEGRAPH. EXTRA

HONGKONG, FRIDAY, APRIL 17, 1914.

## WERE THEY SEALS?

The Tiger Story Followed by a Tale of the Sea.

Another animal story is going the rounds in yachting circles just now. Some animal—certainly it was not of the order of fishes, says our informant—which is thought to be a seal was seen between the Soko Group and Cheung Chau Island on Monday afternoon. Seen by the *Telegraph*, the gentleman who saw the animal, which he is of the opinion were seals, put the number that he actually saw at about eighteen, all making in one direction.

His attention was first called to them by his sailing boy on his yacht who remarked on the number of "sea-dogs" or "sea-pigs," that being the translation of the Chinese term, that there were in the water. Our informant looked but could see little at first because the animals were only just breaking water with their noses to obtain air, this being accompanied by a hissing noise. Then a small one jumped into the air and it was at once seen that, whatever they were, the passage by were not fish. Further confirmation was to be found when one of them broke water and raised his head so that he could be easily seen. His face was not unlike that of a cat with drooping whiskers over the mouth. He then dived and showed a large portion of his back as he went down; in fact, roughly speaking, five feet of his body was exposed. In all there were four persons who saw these animals—two Chinese and two Europeans and they are all convinced that they were of the nature of seals. That night the yacht was anchored in the locality and the hissing could be heard all night. However after passing Admiralty Rock no further traces of them were seen.

In answer to a query as to whether they were not porpoises, or informant said they were not. They had not the slour of the porpoise, but were black, as black as the Chinese pig. Continuing, he informed us that indeed they were what he suspected them to be, it would be serious lookout for the fisheries near Cheung Chau, for seals were voracious devourers of fish and could make sore havoc in the fishing grounds there. A question as to whether seals would be found in this latitude drew the response that the yachtsman had known of them as far south as California.

There certainly appears to be a native to the latitude of California. It is spoken of in the *Encyclopaedia Britannica*, as is to a sea lion. There is the *Arctophila* or Eared seal and the *Macrorhinus* a species of which, the *M. Lenina*, also found on the Californian coast, tending to show that the presence of some member or other of the seal family in these regions should not be impossible geographical reasons.

## PAYMENT BY INSTALMENTS.

On the Summary Court before Justice Hazeland, this morning, the case was mentioned in which Sir O. P. Chater sued the Printing Co. for \$535. Mr. Walker, of Messrs. Deacon, Baker, Deacon and Harston, who appeared for the plaintiff, stated in the case had been adjourned a week in order that the parties might arrive at a settlement. Defendants had entered into an agreement to pay by instalments. They had paid one instalment of another was due and a cheque had been given, but he (Mr. Walker) did not know if it would be paid. He asked for another instalment. This course was assented to.

## CORRESPONDENCE.

[The opinions expressed by the correspondents are not necessarily those of the "Hongkong Telegraph"]

## THE DEAR RENT DIFFICULTY.

(To the Editor of the Hongkong Telegraph.)

Sir,—Why someone does not advocate the moving of some of Hongkong's population out to Pokfulam is difficult to understand. A better spot to live in is hard to find in this island. It faces south and gets the cool breeze all summer and the actual ground to build on is much more suited to this purpose than half the ground that is built upon already in the Colony. The trouble would seem to be the question of getting to and from; but this ought to be a simple matter in these days of electric railways, and subways not to speak of overhead travel. At home half the middle class population of any of our large cities live as far away as not further away, from their work and yet they manage to get there and back with speed and comfort and that cheaply.

What is wanted is just what is wanted in everything in this sleepy Colony, someone with a little initiative and a little go about him to broach the question, get some backing, and get to work. There will, of course, be difficulties but that is nothing. There will be any amount of people who will say that it sounds all right but that it can't be done, and that is about all that they will do. These sort of people have never given an honest hour's thought to anything in their lives. They are children of the moment. If they see through a thing and are in a good humour they give it their approval, but if not they simply say, "Ce n'est pas mon affaire." Let someone leave these people out of consideration in this matter and get going. Let half a dozen men with a little backbone take the matter up and in three years we will see good substantial houses with gardens there and a light railway to take people back and forward and there will no longer be the cry that a man with an income of less than \$400 a month, cannot live in his own house in a decent part of the island. Hongkong is by no means famed for its health bill and it is highly probable, if not absolutely certain, that a move in this direction would have a good effect, and if for no other reason some scheme such as this deserves general support.

Yours etc.

WAKE UP.  
Hongkong, April 17, 1912

## PAUPER'S "ROYAL BLOOD"

Claim To Descent From George II.

A claim to royal descent based upon a supposed secret marriage is made by Augustus West, aged sixty, who has recently become an inmate of Wandsworth Infirmary.

He declares that he is a descendant of King George II., and that his grandmother was "Princess Lavinia" of Cumberland, who died in 1871 after unsuccessfully appealing to Queen Victoria for recognition of her claim to be of royal blood.

The Cumberland claim was first made in 1817, when a Mrs. Olive Serres alleged that she was daughter of Henry Duke of Cumberland, brother of George II., and grandson of George II. Her allegation was that her mother was the daughter of the Rev. Dr. Wilmot, of Barton-on-the-Heath, Warwickshire, and that she was secretly married to the Duke of Cumberland in 1767.

## SPECIAL CABLES.

(Special Pacific Service to the Telegraph.—Reuter.)

## THE PROVINCIAL SYSTEM.

### PRESIDENT YUAN'S REFORM SCHEME.

Peking, Received April 17.

President Yuan Shih-kai's Bill for the reform of the Provincial system was presented yesterday morning. By the Bill the Tutorships and Civil Governorships are to be replaced by Commissioners with the right to appoint or dismiss officials in the Province. The next in rank will be Intendants, with functions of inspection, and Magistrates, but the latter will be under the direct control of the Commissioner. All Provincial Boards will incorporate in the Commissioners' Yamen. The Bill also lays down the number of Secretaries and clerks allowed to each Department.

## CARPENTIER'S

### GAMENESS.

15 Rounds with Jeannette.

Joe Jeannette beat Georges Carpentier in a 15-round contest at Luna Park, Paris, on March 21. The fight went the full distance, Jeannette being declared the winner on points.

France may well be proud of her youthful champion of Europe, Georges Carpentier, for a more gallant loser never left the ring than he at midnight on that date in Paris, after 15 rounds of genuine milling with such a master of ringcraft as Joe Jeannette, an American quadron of greater weight, strength, and experience.

It should not be forgotten that the French champion only passed out of his teens a few weeks ago—on January 12. But Jeannette is a seasoned fighter 35 years of age, more resourceful at present, a stone and a half the heavier (16st. 9lb. to 12st. 2lb.) when they stripped in the ring at 11 p.m., and he carries the weight where it does him the most good—in a splendid torso, great shoulders, strong neck, and muscular arms.

### The Right Spirit.

Though their fighting was hard and keen, it was in good spirit. Each slipped to the floor, Jeannette in the first round and Carpentier in the 10th, and each was helped to his feet by the other. Yet no quarter was asked or given—except in a single instance, when Jeannette, seemed to me to be distinctly magnanimous towards his boyish rival, whom he had on the ropes dazed and almost helpless near the end of the seventh round. This was an important round. As soon as they came up Jeannette went for Carpentier, but the latter's defence was too good. Then they had a sharp set-to of half-arm in-fighting; after which Carpentier scored with a right hook that brought them into a clinch, and then he jammed his poll under Jeannette's chin, forcing back the big man's head. Jeannette did not like that, and very soon he got in two hard right hooks that apparently hurt Carpentier rather badly. He tried to clinch, but Jeannette drove him to the ropes with telling body blows. Those two right hooks and a hard right upper-cut by Jeannette in the first round probably punished Carpentier severely. The uppercut landed fiercely on his left eye. It was the same blow that Jack Johnson used to damage Jeffries's right eye in the first round at Reno.

Jeannette showed fight in the first round the moment they had shaken hands. Without adding or sparing he stepped in quickly, feinted, and hit Carpentier hard with a straight left and a right hook, both to the jaw. Backing into a neutral corner, Carpentier received another hard left in his face and a hard right jolt just below his heart. The latter is Jeannette's favourite blow to steady his men.

By good footwork the French boxer escaped from the corner, but he was shaken again by two stiff

## V. R. C. SPORTS POSTPONED.

We are requested to state that the V.R.C. sports, which were to take place to-morrow afternoon, have been postponed owing to the inclement weather. The revised date has not yet been decided upon.

blows to the body, and for a few seconds it looked as if he might not last through the first round. He rallied in time to land one-two-three on Jeannette's jaw, but the big man has been used to heavier blows, and the lead he scored in the first round he never lost; in fact he added to it.

### The Eighth Round.

Only at the end of the eighth round did Carpentier appear to have Jeannette in difficulties. This was a remarkable round. Having finished the seventh round dazed and holding on to Jeannette in a clinch, the plucky French boy came up smiling for the eighth, and with a unique plan for avoiding too rapid fire. He laid his forehead on Jeannette's left collarbone; and the latter's big, square head protruded over Carpentier's left shoulder; thus they pushed one another about the ring, in-fighting and each in turn driving short-arm blows at the other's midriff, but never getting into a full clinch. Twice during the round and again at the end of it Carpentier varied proceedings by suddenly straightening up to let fly four or five rapid swings at his opponent's head, thereby eliciting fierce roars of applause from the galleries; and just before the end of the round he bell reached Jeannette's jaws with such rapidity and force that he first astonished and then confused the big man, who staggered and seemed for the moment as if two or three more such blows would drop him.

Except in the 12th, 13th, and 14th rounds, when he was plainly weary, Carpentier generally was carrying the battle to the bigger man, who invariably took the centre of the ring and awaited the gallant onslaughts of the dashing young Gaul. Thus Carpentier fought himself almost to a standstill, meanwhile giving an attractive display, although many of his blows landed with little force, because they were gauged so cleverly by Jeannette, who got in a clear majority of the solid fighting that counts, and did not try to be spectacular. As a result he won, while Carpentier was getting to be a sorry sight at the finish. There was hardly anything to indicate that Jeannette had been in a 15-round glove-fight, the *Times*.

### The Disappearing box.

A Chinese amah, residing on the Peak, has complained to the police that some time in September last she left in the basement of the Roman Catholic Church in Bonham Road a box containing clothing and jewellery to the value of \$60. On Tuesday she went there to get her property but found it had disappeared.

## SLIGHTLY EXAGGERATED.

"The Fiercest man in the Colony."

A money loan association and an alleged outstanding payment, caused a Chinese woman who claimed to be the head of the society to bring a member to the Police Court on a charge of assault. To Mr. Melbourne the defendant denied the charge.

The complainant told the magistrate that she went to the defendant, who was a hawker, to collect a sum of \$15. The man denied having anything to do with the association and when the complainant pressed her request hit her across the nose with a broom.

A fortune teller, father of the complainant, said that when she complained to him of the assault, the defendant assaulted her again to show how he did it the first time.

After he had been to the police station and had been bailed out he returned to witness and threatened to harm him. "The defendant is the fiercest man in the Colony," he added.

"A fortune teller can tell a lot," was the comical manner in which the defendant summed up the evidence of the witness.

His Worship thought the fortune teller had exaggerated a lot, and fined defendant \$3, and ordered him to be cautioned.

## BATU CAVES RUBBER CO.

Presiding at the meeting of the Batu Caves Rubber Company, Mr. John McEwan said that although the directors were not proposing the declaration of so large a dividend on that occasion as was the case 12 months ago, the different result was not due to anything within the control of the company's staff or of the directors. The serious fall in the price of the commodity which occurred within the year could not fail adversely to affect the revenue. The average price obtained for the whole of the year was 3s. 1 2/3d. per lb. Although the yield for the year showed an increase of 37 percent, on that for 1912 the total expenditure was less by 6 percent. During the year the directors were urged to join hands with others to try to regulate supplies, to restrict output, and to combine in selling, but so far no scheme that appeared reasonably likely to succeed had been evolved.

The directors had been unable to sell forward any material proportion of the company's expected crop for the current year, so, having regard to the present level of prices, he thought it would be inadvisable for them to pay quarterly interim dividends at a rate in excess of 25 percent, as compared with 40 percent during the past two years.

## BILLIARDS.

### The Soldiers' Club Tournament.

Continuing in the second of the Soldiers' Club Billiards Tournament the D. O. L. I. met the R. E. "A" Team and as the result of the first two matches secured a lead of seventy-two points. The scores to date are as follow:—

D. O. L. I.	
Sergt. Ostler	250
Sergt. Lennon	247
	497
R. E. "A"	
Corpl. Coxon	175
Q. M. S. Anderson	250
	425

## MR. CORFIELD AND THE LION.

A Slap in its Face and a "Hand-off."

The brief but glorious tale of Richard Corfield's life and death is told by Mr. Prevost Batterby with simplicity and restraint in his memorial volume, just published ("Richard Corfield of Somaliland," Arnold, 10s. 6d.). It is a moving story of a hero who made the great choice between honour and honour, between expediency and duty, between promotion and political disgrace, between life and death—and made it in a manner that must thrill those of his countrymen who admire nobility of character.

Mr. Batterby maintains that Corfield gave up his life because his instructions were confused and conflicting and because he regarded it as his duty to protect the friendly Somalis, who had trusted his work and the good faith of the British Government, against murder and outrage at the hands of the Mullahs.

Like General Gordon. His action was identical with that of General Gordon. Gordon telegraphed when the order to "out and run" reached him from home: "I have named men to different places, thus involving them with the Mahdi; how could I look the world in the face if I abandoned them and fled? As a gentleman could you advise this course?"

There is one new and most extraordinary episode narrated in the book—an adventure between Corfield and a lion—which is stated to be "probably the only instance on record of a football player using the 'hand-off' to prevent his being collared by a lion." The fact that the lion missed his first grip and got a poor hold with his second may have been due to the surprise he experienced at receiving a slap in the face from the man he was chasing, owing to which Corfield, getting hold of a tree trunk in lieu of a goal post, was able literally to wrench himself out of the lion's jaws.

The lion, which was badly wounded, dashed at him. He fired and missed.

"The next thing Corfield knew was that he was dodging round a small tree with the lion grabbing at him while he was trying to hand him off. The lion missed him first, only succeeding in tearing his coat, but soon caught Corfield's right hand in his mouth biting it badly through the palm, while pursuing him round the tree."

Injured but not Unnerved. Fortunately at the critical moment a comrade intervened and shot the lion dead. But while the companion went for the nearest doctor Corfield had to remain alone, and crippled in his arm and unable to use his rifle, had to spend a night in his zereba guarded only by huge fires.

"He could plainly see lions prowling round outside, the ring of flames, and it did not seem improbable that one beast more courageous than its fellows might at any moment lead the fire and attack the terrified animals in his charge, perhaps even himself."

Yet such was his courage that his nerve was quite unshaken by this narrow escape, and a little later he was again out hunting lions single-handed. The same splendid valour marked his death; he perished fighting against enormous odds, and in Homeric wise his faithful Somali died about him and in defence of his body. His portrait shows that the outward semblance of the man was in keeping with the beauty of the inward character. It portrays one young and alert, singularly handsome, with a penetrating, pensive look. And this was he "whom every man in arms would wish to be."

## MARINE INSURANCE MARKET.

Uneasiness for a German Barque.

The rate on the German barque Bonn, considered overdue on the voyage from New Orleans for Onorio, rose on March 19 from 12 to 40 per cent. The barque left New Orleans on December 20 for Onorio, and so has been 80 days "out," whereas the normal length of passage is about 60 days. She is an iron barque of 1,110 tons, built by Barclay Curle in 1877 as the *Samarkand*. Her cargo consists of 93,000 pieces of crates for the manufacture of wine racks, and 3,262 pieces of deal. This cargo is considered to be a favourable one for the ship.

### Another "Arrival."

So badly did underwriters think on March 25 of the prospects of the Swedish steamer Kwasind that 80 per cent. was paid for reinsurance. Then on the strength of a message from Bordeaux, which was not quite clear, the rate dropped to 80 and then to 50 per cent. Finally word came that the Kwasind had arrived at Bordeaux.

The voyage of the Kwasind was far slower than that of the Alvarado. The Kwasind left the Tyne on March 11, and so took 12 days to cover the distance of 886 miles to Bordeaux, while the Alvarado was a week steaming the 712 miles from London to Bilbao.

No news was received of the British steamer Charles Lacour since she left Penarth on March 11 for Fayal, and on March 25 10 per cent. was quoted. Rates have also been quoted on the ships Wiscombe Park and Holgen, both bound from Rio de Janeiro for Australia.

The owners of the French motor-ship Jules Henry, previously reported disabled, were informed on March 25 that the vessel was moored in the roadstead near Belle Isle and needed assistance to reach St. Nazaire. It will be impossible for the ship to continue her voyage to Kustendje in her condition. The Danish motor-ship Fionia, bound for the East Indies, is reported from Antwerp to have stranded, but to have floated without assistance.

## MEXICAN COTTON COMPANY AND THE UNREST.

Lord Welby, presiding at a meeting of the holders of the Six per Cent. Debentures of the Mexican Cotton Estates of Tlaxiualilo, said it was a matter of great regret to himself and his colleagues that for the first time since the reconstruction in 1903 they were obliged to ask the debenture-holders to forgo—the interest which was due on their bonds on the 1st prox., but circumstances had been too strong for them.

Even if they had the money available for the payment of interest, which they had not, he thought they would all agree with him that their first business was to see to the debenture-holders' security; and it would be bad business to pay away money which was required to be spent on the property itself or in meeting existing obligations in Mexico in connection with its upkeep. It was useless for him to attempt to prophesy as to the outcome of the present position in Mexico, or as to when the long-looked-for relief was likely to arrive; even those whose business had made them specially conversant with Mexican affairs hesitated to express any decided opinion upon the matter. They could only therefore rely on the debenture-holders' indulgence and support until better conditions prevailed, and enabled the business to be carried on without interruption.



## FAR EASTERN NAVAL SQUADRONS.

## HIS BRITANNIC MAJESTY'S SHIPS ON THE CHINA STATION.

Nam	Class	Tons	Guns	I.H.P.	Commandr	Reported at
Alaric	Despatch-boat	1,700	12	2,000	Comdr. A. Cochrane	Hongkong
Atlas	Admiralty tug	710	2	900	Master W. West	Hongkong
Bramble	Gunboat	710	2	900	Lt.-Com. V. H. Brandon	Yangtze
Britomart	Gunboat	710	2	900	Lt.-Com. W. H. Darwell	Hongkong
Cadmus	British sloop	1,070	6	1,400	Comdr. H. Williams	Shanghai
Cherub	Water tank and tug	300	—	300	Master H. Smith	Hongkong
Chalmer	T. B. Destroyer	560	—	7,550	Lt.-Com. H. T.	England
Olio	British sloop	1,070	6	1,400	Comdr. Mackenzie, D.S.O.	Penang
Hampshire	1st class cruiser	10,850	10	20,500	Capt. H. W. Grant	Wei-hai-wei
Ged	Torpedo boat destroyer	—	—	—	Lt.-Com. G. A.	Mulook
Kinsha	River gunboat	618	4	1,200	Lt.-Com. H. Marryatt	Yangtze
Kennett	Torpedo-boat destroyer	—	—	—	Lt.-Com. Boddam	Whetham
Merlin	Surveying ship	1,010	—	—	Lt.-Com. C. J. B. Gibson	Labuan
Minotaur	1st class cruiser	14,600	—	27,000	Capt. E. B. Kiddle	Wei-hai-wei
Moorhen	River gunboat	180	2	800	Lt.-Com. Alan Dixon	Hongkong
Newcastle	2nd class cruiser	4,800	12	22,000	Capt. Frederick A. Powlett	Shanghai
Nightingale	River gunboat	85	2	210	Lt.-Comdr. M. Murray	Yangtze
Ribble	Torpedo-boat destroyer	590	—	7,500	R. W. Wilkinson	Wei-hai-wei
Robin	River gunboat	85	2	210	Lt.-Comdr. Nash	West River
Rosario	Depot ship for submarines	980	—	1,400	Lt.-Comdr. Cronin	Canton
Sandpiper	River gunboat	85	2	210	Lt.-Com. I. S. Hutton	West River
Snipe	River gunboat	85	2	210	Lt.-Com. Maurice Leslie	Yangtze
Taku	Torpedo boat destroyer	350	—	6,000	Gunner W. H. Ryder	Hongkong
Teal	River gunboat	180	2	800	Lt.-Com. Hon. Guy Stopford	Yangtze
Thistle	Gunboat	710	2	900	Lt.-Com. H. R. N. Cotrell	Dormer
Triumph	Receiving Ship	11,915	—	12,500	Capt. P. Searcfield	Hongkong
Tamar	Torpedo-boat destroyer	590	—	7,500	Comdr. Anstruther	Hongkong
Jek	Torpedo-boat destroyer	590	—	7,500	Lt.-Comdr. Maxwell	Wei-hai-wei
Virago	Torpedo-boat destroyer	590	—	7,500	Lt.-Com. H. D. Adair-Hall	Wei-hai-wei
Welland	Torpedo-boat destroyer	590	—	7,500	Com. Seymour	Wei-hai-wei
Whiting	Torpedo-boat destroyer	590	—	7,500	Lt.-Com. R. Neville	Wei-hai-wei
Widgeon	Gunboat	185	2	800	Lt.-Com. J. C. Borrett	Yangtze
Woodcock	Gunboat	150	2	500	Lt.-Com. M. B. Blackwood	Yangtze
Woodlark	Gunboat	150	2	500	Lt.-Comdr. Lloyd	Yangtze
C. 36	—	—	—	—	Lt.-Com. Pope	Hongkong
C. 37	—	—	—	—	Lt.-Com. McGillivray	Hongkong
C. 38	—	—	—	—	Lt.-Com. J. Gimes	Hongkong
T.B. 035	—	—	—	—	Lt.-Com. Handley	West River
T.B. 036	—	—	—	—	Lt.-Com. T. Barton	Hongkong
T.B. 037	—	—	—	—	Lt.-Com. Nicol	Hongkong
T.B. 038	—	—	—	—	Lt.-Com. H. W. Seymoud	Hongkong

\* Flagship of Admiral Jernam, K.C.B., C.V.O., C.M.G. Commander-in-Chief.

## FOREIGN MEN-OF-WAR ON NORTH CHINA AND JAPAN STATION.

## French.

Dupreix	Armoured cruiser	10,014	30	30,000	Capt. Vergos	Shanghai
Kléber	Armoured cruiser	9,709	12	19,600	Capt. Gours	Hongkong
Decade	Gunboat	645	10	1,000	Lieut. Vindier	Saigon
Argus	River gunboat	180	6	570	Lieut. Dordet	Canton
Vigilante	Gunboat	123	7	500	Lieut. Jorvillier	Canton
Peiho	Gunboat	130	—	—	Lieut. Collin	Tongka
Dondard de Lagree	Gunboat	—	—	—	Lieut. Dupuy Duteemps	Tehong-kin
* Flagship of Rear-Admiral Colloch de Kerillis, Commander-in-Chief, the French China Station						
Lynx	Submarine	—	—	—	Lieut. Baluz	Saigon
Protee	Submarine	—	—	—	Lieut. Baluz	Saigon
Sty	Armoured gunboat	1,798	10	1,700	Lieut. Guillaume-Louis	Saigon
Fronde	Destroyer	350	7	303	Lieut. Aurillac	Saigon
d'Iberville	Destroyer	—	—	—	Capt. de Frigate Rouisen	Hongkong
Pistolet	Destroyer	130	7	300	Comdr. de Marquessac	Saigon
Monquet	Destroyer	307	6	300	—	Saigon
Manche	Surveying-ship	1,625	10	9,000	Com. Voisin	Saigon

\* Flagship of Commodore Boucaut, Commanding the local defence Indo-China.

## German.

Emden	Cruiser	3,800	22	13,500	Capt. v. Muller	Tsingtau
Gneisenau	Armoured cruiser	11,600	36	26,000	Captain Brueninghaus	Tsingtau
Ilis	Gunboat	900	12	1,300	Comdr. Sachse	Canton
Jaguar	Gunboat	900	12	1,300	Comdr. Luring	Shanghai
Leipzig	Cruiser	3,250	24	11,000	Capt. Mann	Tsingtau
Luchs	Gunboat	900	10	1,350	Comdr. Thierichen	Hankow
Nürnberg	Cruiser	3,400	22	13,200	Capt. v. Schonberg	Tsingtau
Otter	River gunboat	—	—	—	Capt. Lieut. Fride	Yangtze
Scharnhorst	Flagship	11,600	36	26,000	Capt. F. Schaltz	Tsingtau
S. 90	Torpedo-boat	400	8	6,500	Capt. Lt. Bruuner	Tsingtau
Taku	Torpedo-boat	280	4	6,000	Obit. z. S. v. Manberge	Tsingtau
Tiger	Gunboat	900	10	1,350	Comdr. Becker	Tsingtau
Tsingtau	River gunboat	223	4	1,300	Capt. Lt. v. Moller	Canton
Vaterland	River gunboat	223	4	500	Obit. z. S. Dressler	Yangtze

## Portuguese.

Adamastor	Cruiser	1,757	—	—	Capt. Annibal de S. Dias	Hongkong
Macao	Gunboat	—	—	—	Capt. Martins	Macao
Patria	Gunboat	700	—	—	Capt. Luiz A. de Magalhaes	Correa Mens

## UNITED STATES VESSELS.

A-2	Submarine	—	—	—	Ensign G. Bradford	Cavite
A-4	—	—	—	—	Ensign J. R. Mann	—
A-6	—	—	—	—	Ensign H. L. Rahel Daffer	—
A-7	—	—	—	—	Ensign R. I. Wood	—
Albany	Protected cruiser	3,430	10	7,500	Commander M. L. Bristol	Cruising
Bainbridge	Torpedo-boat des.	420	7	8,000	Lieut. R. A. Spruance	Cavite
Barry	Torpedo-boat des.	420	7	8,000	Lieut. C. S. Keller	—
Callao	Gunboat	243	8	250	Ensign W. L. Beck	Canton
Chauncey	Torpedo-boat destroyer	420	7	8,000	Lt. J. O. Jennings	Cavite
Cincinnati	Protected cruiser	3,183	11	10,000	Com. J. V. Chase	Cruising
Dale	Torpedo-boat destroyer	420	7	8,000	Lt. V. K. Colman	Cavite
Decatur	Torpedo-boat destroyer	420	7	8,000	Lt. E. Durr	—
Elcano	Gunboat	690	4	800	Lt. Com. V. S. Gannon	Shanghai
Helena	Gunboat	1,392	8	1,988	Com. G. R. Marvell	Shanghai
Mohican	Station ship	1,900	6	1,100	Lieut. V. R. Lowe	Cavite
Monadnock	Monitor	3,090	4	3,000	Lt. Y. Rorschach	Olongap
Monterey	Monitor	4,084	4	5,277	—	—
Pampanga	Gunboat	243	8	—	Ensign P. J. Peyton	Cay Canton
Piscataqua	Sea going tug	854	2	1,800	—	—
Pompey	Repair ship	3,085	—	—	—	—
Samar	River boat	—	—	—	Lt.-Com. C. W. Coles	Canton
Wilmington	Cruiser	—	—	—	Com. P. Babin	Hongkong
Saratoga	Flagship	—	—	—	J. H. Dayton	Shanghai
Salveston	Cruiser	—	—	—	Com. R. H. Leigh	—
Bainbridge	—	—	—	—	Lt. G. W. Haine	—

## MARKET PRICES.

Hongkong Apr. 3, 1914.

## BUTCHER MEAT.

## 肉食

Beef Sirloin & Prime	Out-Mei Lung Pa	lb.	18
" Corned, Ham	gau Yuk	"	18
" Roast, Shiu	"	"	18
" Breast, Nagu Lam	"	"	12
" Soup, Tong Yuk	"	"	15
" Steak, Ngau Yuk Pa	"	"	18
" do. Sirloin Cotoon	Ngau Lau	"	28
" Sausages, Ngau Chaung	"	"	20
Bullock's Brains	Know	per set	10
" Tongue fresh, Ngau Li	"	each	45
" corned, Ham Ngau Li	"	"	55
" Head, Ngau Tan	"	"	60
" Heart, Ngau Sum	"	"	12
" Hump, Salt, Ngau Kin	"	"	15
" Feet, Ngau Kaski	"	"	18
" Kidneys, Ngau Y	"	"	8
" Tail, Ngau Mei	"	"	9
" Liver, Ngau Kon	"	"	18
" Tripe (undressed), Ngau To	"	"	12
Calves' Head & Feet, Ngau-chai-lau-kark	"	set	6
Mutton Chop, Yeung Pei Kwat	"	lb.	\$1
" Leg, Yeung Pei	"	"	25
" Shoulder, Yeung Shau	"	"	25
Pigs Chitlings, Chu Chong	"	"	22
" Brains, Chu Know	"	per set	27
" Feet, Chu Kark	"	lb.	2
" Fry, Chu Ohak	"	"	12
" Head, Chu Tau	"	"	8
" Heart, Chu Sum	"	each	18
" Kidneys, Chu Yiu	"	pair	10
" Liver, Chu On	"	lb.	8
Pork, Chop, Chu Pak Kwat	"	"	24
" Corned, Ham Chu Yuk	"	"	23
" Leg, Chu Pe	"	"	27
" Fat or Lard, Chu Yau	"	"	24
Sheep Head and Feet, Chu Tau Kark	"	set	30
" Heart, Yeung Sum	"	"	each 65
" Kidneys, Yeung Yiu	"	"	7
" Liver, Yeung Con	"	lb.	9
Sucking Pigs, To Order, Chu Cha	"	"	25
Suet, Beef, Sang Ngau Yau	"	"	22
" Mutton, Sang Yeung Yau	"	"	18
" Veal, Ngau Chai Yuk	"	"	25
" Sausages, Ngau Chai Chaung	"	"	18

## FRUITS.

## 菓子

Almonds, Hung Yau	lb.	30
Apples (California), Kam San Ping Kho	"	20
" (Chefoo), Tin Chun Ping Kho	"	—
" Small, Hoi Tong	"	—
" Custard, Fau Lai Chi	each	—
Bananas, fragrant, Canton, San Shing Heung Chiu	lb.	3
" (brides), Macao, San Heung Chiu	"	3
Chestnuts, Chinese, Faong Lat	"	12
Carambola, Yeung Tue	"	—
Cocoanuts, Yeh Tso	each	12
Lemons, China, Ning Moong	lb.	8
" America, Kum San Ning Moon	"	8
Lichees Dried, Lai Chi, small Stone	"	30
" Fresh	"	—
Limes, (Saigon), Sai Kung Ning Moong	each	—
Mango, Manila, Lai Sung Mong	"	—
Mangosteens, San Chuk Tse	doz.	—
Oranges, (Canton), San-shing Tim Ching	lb.	5
" Sweet	"	6
Pears, (American), San Shoo Lay	"	—
" (Canton), Cook, Lay	"	12
Peanuts, Pa Sang	"	10
Persimmons Large, Hung Chie	"	10
Pine-apples, 1st quality, Poon Ti Paw Law	each	10
" 2nd, Chung-tang Paw Law	"	8
Plantain, Tai Chen	lb.	—
Plums, Swatow, Hung Lai	"	—
Pineapple, Siam, Ohim Lo Yau	each	12
" Shanghai, Lo Kwai	"	—
Walnuts, Hop Tuo	lb.	15
" Green, Sang Hop Tuo	"	—
Water Melon, (Am.) Kam San Sai Kwa	each	—
" (China) Sai Kwa	"	—
Grapes, Sang Po Tai Tse	lb.	20

## VEGETABLES, &amp;c.

## 菜蔬

Artichokes, Shanghai, Sheung-hoi Ah Chi	lb.	8
Beans, (French), Macao, Oh Moou Pin Tau	"	15
" (French) Shanghai, Sheung Hai Pin	"	12
" Sprout, Ah Cho	"	8
" Long, Tau Ko	"	8
Beet Root, Hung Ohai Tau	each	6
Brinjals, Green, Ching Yuen	"	8
" Red, Hung Ker	"	6
Cabbage, Chinese, com, Kai Choy	"	12
Cabbage Red, Hung Yeh Choy	"	—
Cabbages, Shanghai, Yeh Choi	"	—
Cane Shoots, bunch, Kau Shun	lb.	12
Cauliflower, Large size, Tai Yeh Cho Fa	each	18
" Medium size, Cheung Yeh Cho Fa	"	15
" Small size, Sai Yen Choi Fa	"	12
Carrots, Kum Sham	lb.	6
Celery, Chinese, Tong Kan Chai	"	8
" English, Yeung Kan Choi	"	6
Chillies Dried, Gon Lat Chiu	"	30
" Red, Hung Far Chiu	"	15
" Green, Ching Lai Chiu	"	12
Curry Stalk, English, Kar Lee Chu Liu	"	10
Cucumbers, Ching Kwa	"	8
Bitter Squash, Fu Kwa	"	12
Garlic, Que Tau	"	8
Garlic, young, Sun Tse Keung	"	6
" old, Lo Keung	"	8
Horseradish, Shanghai, Lik Kan	"	15
Indian Corn, Suk Mai	each	—
Lettuce, Yeung Sang Choi	"	1
Water Cress, Ma Tai	lb.	0
" Mandarin, Kwai Lam Ma Tai	"	8
Mushrooms, Fresh, Sang Cho Koo	"	30
Mush Melon, Amer., Kam-san Hong Kwa	each	—
Okra, Bombay, Yeung Chong Tau	"	8
" Green, Sang Chong	"	6
" Shanghai, Shung-hoi Chong Tau	"	6
Papaya, 1st qual., Tai Man Sau Kua	each	—
" 2nd, Chang	"	—
Paraleys, Kan Cho	"	—
Green Peas, Ching Tau	lb.	15
Potatoes, Sweet, Fan Shu	"	—
" Shanghai, Shung-hoi Shu Tau	"	—
" Japan, Ynt Poon Shu Tau	"	3
" American, Fu Ki Shu Tau	"	3
" Foochow, Foo-chow Shu Tau	"	—
Pumpkin, Tong Kwa	"	4
Radish, Hung Lo Pak Tsei	"	6
Rhubarb (Fresh), Tai Wong	"	12
Sage, Tse So	"	—
Shallots, Gon Chung Tau	"	8
Spinach, Yin Choi	"	5
Tomatoes, Fan Ker	"	5
" Wn Tau	"	5
" Punt, (Long), Lo Pak	"	4
" English, Yeung Lo Pak	"	—
Vegetable Marrow, Chit Kwa	"	3
" (American), Kam-san Chit Kwa	"	—
Water Cress, Sai Yeung Chai	"	15
" Lily root, Lin Ngau	"	16
Yams, Tai Shu	"	6

The prices necessarily vary from day to day, and the Board has no power to compel stallholders to sell at the prices quoted.

E. W. HAMILTON.

Secretary, Sanitary Board.

## POULTRY.

## 鳥口

Chickens, — Kai Chai	...	lb	32	區仔
Japones, Large, Small, — Sin Kai	...	"	32	仔
Ducks, — Ap	...	"	25	
Doves, — Pan Kau	...	each	18	蛋
Eggs, Hen, — Kai Tan	...	per doz	20	場
Fowls, Canton, — Kai	...	lb	38	
Hainan, — Hoi Nam Kai	...	"	28	海南雞
Geese, — Ngai	...	"	30	鴨
Geese, Wild, Sh'hai, — Shang-ho Yea Ngai	...	"	—	上海野雞
Musk Deer, — Wong Keng	...	each	\$600	黃麝
Hare, Shanghai, — Tai Chai	...	"	65	兔仔
Partridge, — Che Khoo	...	"	65	鷓鴣
Pheasant, — Shan Kai	...	pair	\$ 1.60	山雞
Pigeons, Canton, — Pak Kup	...	each	34	白鴿
Hoihow, — Hoi How Pak Kup,	...	"	28	車口白鴿
Quail, — Um-Ohun	...	"	16	番菊
Rice Birds, — Wo Fa Cheul	...	dozen	—	禾花雀
Snipe, — Sa-Choy	...	each	24	沙撈越
Turkeys, Cock, — Phor Kai Kung	...	lb.	70	火雞
Hen, " " Na	...	"	55	火雞
Wild Ducks, Sh'hai, — Shang hoi Sui Ap	...	\$	1.30	水鴨
1, — Sai Ap Chai,	...	"	45	鴨仔
d Ducks Canton, — Sang-Shing Sui Ap	...	"	85	鴨



## COMPANY MEETINGS.

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please signify in the usual way—against—carried unanimously. That is all the business gentlemen. I am much obliged to you for your attendance. Dividend warrants are now ready and may be had on application in the outer office. (Applause).

## China Traders Insurance Co., Ltd.

The forty-eight ordinary annual meeting of the shareholders in the China Traders' Insurance Company was held this afternoon in the offices of the Company when Mr. W. L. Pattenden presided. There were also present Messrs. J. W. C. Bonnar, H. A. Seib, S. H. Dodwell, J. A. Plummer, and H. P. Holyoak, directors, Messrs. H. C. Gray, R. F. Hall, R. H. Whittall, V. L. Remedios, A. E. S. Alves, M. R. Souza, B. M. C. Cunha and the acting secretary, Mr. C. H. P. Hay.

The acting secretary read the notice convening the meeting and the Chairman said:—

Gentlemen:—Before proceeding with the business of the meeting, I wish on behalf of your directors to express the sorrow which they feel that Mr. G. Friesland is no longer with us. He took a great interest in the company's affairs and but for his untimely death would have presided at this meeting.

With your permission I will take the report, accounts and auditors' report as read.

A comparison of the years 1911 and 1912 shows an increase in the net premiums of the latter, part of which is due to the fall in exchange. There is little alteration in the divisible balance which we propose to deal with as follows:—

To pay a final dividend of \$6 per share, making \$10 for the year.

To add £10,000 to the Reinsurance Fund and to carry forward the balance to the Underwriting Suspense Account.

As regards 1913, the figures so far as they go, compare favourably with preceding years, and we have no hesitation in recommending the payment of an Interim Dividend of \$4 per share and a bonus of 20 per cent. on contributory premiums.

Altogether, gentlemen, the report before you is very satisfactory and if any shareholder has any questions to ask I shall be pleased to answer them.

There being no questions I beg to move the adoption of the report, and accounts.

Mr. Hay:—I have much pleasure in seconding that.

The Chairman:—Proposed by myself and seconded by Mr. Hay that the report and accounts as presented be adopted. Those in favour please signify in the usual manner—Those against?—carried unanimously. The next business gentlemen, is the re-election of directors.

Mr. H. C. Gray:—I beg to propose the re-election of Mr. Dodwell and Mr. J. Plummer as directors.

Mr. Hall:—I beg to second that. The Chairman:—Proposed by Mr. Gray and seconded by Mr. Hall that Messrs. Dodwell and Plummer be re-elected directors. Those in favour please signify in the usual manner—Those against?—carried unanimously. The next business is the re-election of the auditors.

Mr. Whittall:—I beg to propose the reappointment of Mr. A. R. Lowe and Mr. C. Bernard Brown as auditors at a remuneration of five hundred dollars each per annum.

Mr. Cunha:—I beg to second that.

The Chairman:—Proposed by Mr. Whittall and seconded by Mr. Cunha that Messrs. A. R. Lowe and C. Bernard Brown be re-appointed auditors at a remuneration of five hundred dollars each per annum. Those in favour—carried unanimously. That is all the business gentlemen. Thank you for your attendance. Dividend warrants are now ready and may be had on application at the outer office.

## SPECIAL CABLES.

(From Our Own Correspondent).

## SHANGHAI PLOT REVEALED.

## PLAN FOR ATTACK ON ARSENAL.

Shanghai, Received April 17. The rebels arrested in connection with the unearthed plot have stated that a thousand revolutionaries are in Shanghai under orders of Dr. Sun Yat-sen, and that signals were agreed upon for an attack on the Arsenal on the night of the 17th inst.

The had plenty of bombs, and expressed regret that the officers of the Arsenal had betrayed them.

They Governor has reported to the President that a rebel General has been arrested in the Settlement.

## CLOSING ON "WHITE WOLF."

## THE FAMOUS B. IGAND FORCED TO RETIRE.

Shanghai, Received April 17. The Government troops are closing in on "White Wolf's" forces, which have been forced to retreat from Sianfu.

(Special Pacific Service to the Telegraph—Rauter.)

## CHINESE REVENUE.

## CENTRAL GOVERNMENT'S WISE RESOLVE.

Peking, Received April 16. The Financial Conference has passed a resolution that all chiefs of Taxation Bureaux must remit their gross receipts to Peking and not permit the provincial officials to draw upon them. All provincial officials will be paid from Peking.

## THE CHANGLI INCIDENT.

## JAPAN'S GENEROUS REPARATION.

Peking, Received April 16. Mr. Yamaza, the Japanese Minister to Peking, had an interview with Premier Sun P. chi on Tuesday and stated that, apart from the merits of the case, the Japanese Government regretted the Changli incident, in which several Chinese police were shot by Japanese soldiers, and will remit \$26,000 for the relief of the families of the deceased. The Premier replied that it was gratifying to the Chinese Government that this long-pending affair had been brought to an amicable settlement.

## JAPANESE POLITICS.

## CONSTITUTION OF NEW CABINET.

Tokyo, Received April 16. Count Okuma's Cabinet has been installed. It is composed as follows:—  
Count Okuma ... Premier and Home Affairs  
Baron Kato ... Foreign Affairs  
Mr. Wakatsuki ... Finance  
Admiral Yashiro ... Navy  
General Oka ... War  
Judge Ozaki ... Justice  
Mr. Ishiki ... Education  
Mr. Taketomi ... Communications  
Viscount Oura ... Commerce

## BRIGANDS DEFEATED.

## VICARIOUS ADVANCE OF GOVERNMENT TROOPS.

Shanghai, Received April 17. Rauter's correspondent at Sianfu states that the brigands were defeated at Lichu in Hsien on the 12th inst. by General Chen Pei-sheng, commanding 3,000 of the 3rd Shensi troops.

Several hundred of the enemy were killed belonging to the main body of fighters and a hundred rifles were recovered.

Chang Hsing-shih, from Kansu, has occupied Feng Hsiang-fu with 5,000 troops, and Chaochow-jen has arrived at Sianfu, leaving for Kienchow with 5,000 well-equipped and disciplined troops. More are expected shortly. The business people are feeling confident.

Rauter's Peking correspondent says it is reported that San Yuan Hsien has been taken and looted.

## UNREST IN CHINA.

## REPORTED ATTACK ON AMERICAN.

Changsha, Received April 17. A telegram from Hsiao-chow-fu says it is reported that an American named Patterson has been attacked sixty miles to the south of the city.

## DAIRY FARM NEWS.

RECEIVED

## NEW SHIPMENTS OF FRESH SIBERIAN SALMON.

SMOKED

## FILLETS, HADDOCKS, KIPPERS.

## COURT MOURNING.

Late Empress Dowager of Japan.

A Government Gazette Extraordinary issued to-day states:—It is notified for information that instructions have been received from the Secretary of State for the Colonies that eight days will be observed for Court Mourning for the late Empress Dowager of Japan from April 11th.

St. Joseph's College Association.

The first annual dinner of the St. Joseph's College Association will take place at the College on Thursday next 23rd inst., at 7.30 p.m.

Bishop of Victoria.

The Bishop of Victoria has gone to Swatow where he will conduct a service for the English speaking community on Sunday. He expects to return to Hongkong early next week.

## To-day's Advertisements

## HONGKONG GENERAL CHAMBER OF COMMERCE.

NOTICE is hereby given that at a General Meeting of Members to be held on Tuesday the 28th April, at 4.30 p.m. in the Old Chamber of Commerce Room, CITY HALL, the following Alterations in the Bye-Laws of the Chamber will be proposed and if carried by a majority of those present and entitled to vote will from date replace By-Laws VIII and X respectively.

In Substitution of VIII.

If the dispute be of such a nature as to, in the opinion of the General Committee, require the service of the Arbitration Committee, each Member thereof shall be entitled to a Fee—in addition to a Fee for the Chamber.

The amount of such Fees to be regulated by the Arbitration Committee, according to the importance of the case and the time occupied therein, subject to an appeal to the General Committee whose decision on the amount shall be final.

In Substitution of X.

The Arbitration Committee shall appoint its own Chairman and confine its functions to cases where its intervention or advice is requested, and on no occasion shall it proceed with any case unless all the parties subscribe a Bond making the Award a Rule of the Supreme Court.

Printed forms of such Bonds legally prepared, shall be kept for the information of Members and other Members of the Public who may have occasion to resort to the Chamber for Arbitration.

The parties to an Arbitration or Survey need not necessarily be Members of the Chamber but in cases where neither party is a Member of the Chamber, the General Committee may decline to arbitrate or hold a Survey.

By Order,  
E. A. M. WILLIAMS,  
Secretary.  
Hongkong, 17th April 1914.

## NOTICE.

THE entries for the B. O. C's Sports close to-morrow the 18th inst., at NOON to the undersigned.

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## HONGKONG GENERAL CHAMBER OF COMMERCE.

## NOTICE.

THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING of the members of the Hongkong General Chamber of Commerce will be held on TUESDAY, the 28th April, 1914 at 4 o'clock p.m. precisely in the Old Chamber of Commerce Rooms, City Hall, for the following purposes:—

- (1) To receive the Report and Accounts of the Committee for the year ended 31st December, 1913.
- (2) To elect a new Committee.
- (3) To transact any General Business.

By Order,  
E. A. M. WILLIAMS,  
Secretary,  
Hongkong, 17th April, 1914.

## THE ASSOCIATION OF EXPORTERS AND DEALERS OF HONGKONG.

## NOTICE.

THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING of the Members of the ASSOCIATION OF EXPORTERS AND DEALERS OF HONGKONG will be held on WEDNESDAY, the 29th April, 1914, at 4 o'clock p.m. precisely, in the Old Chamber of Commerce Room, City Hall, for the following purposes:—

- (1) To receive the Report and Accounts of the Committee for the year ended 31st December 1913.
- (2) To elect a new Committee.
- (3) To transact any General Business.

By Order,  
E. A. M. WILLIAMS,  
Secretary,  
Hongkong, 17th April, 1914.

## STOCKBROKERS' ASSOCIATION OF HONGKONG.

IN order to facilitate business the public is hereby notified that in future the exchange on all Taal stocks will be settled by Members of the above Association three days prior to Hongkong Monthly Settlement Days.

The Settlement Days for 1914 are as follows:—

Tuesday	28th April
Thursday	28th May
Thursday	25th June
Tuesday	28th July
Thursday	27th August
Monday	28th September
Thursday	29th October
Thursday	26th November
Wednesday	23rd December

By Order of the Committee,  
EDWARD M. RAYMOND,  
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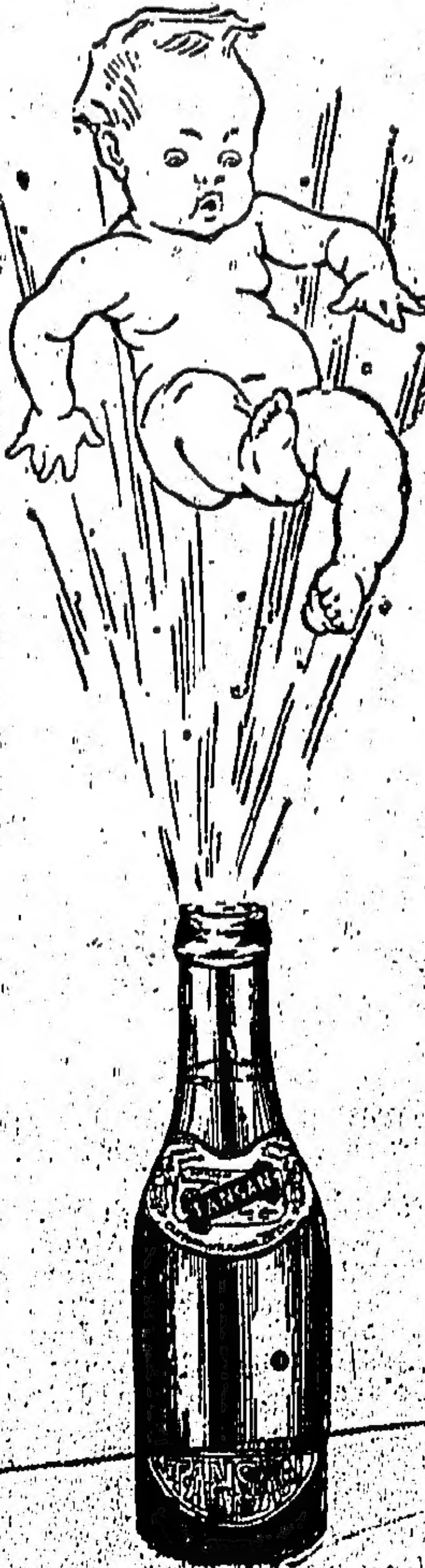
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For Steamship On

MANILA	Yuen Sang	Sat.	18th Apr. at 2 p.m.
SHANGHAI	Wingsang	Sun.	19th Apr. at 4 light
SANDAKAN	Hinsang	Mon.	20th Apr. at noon
YHAMA, Kobe & Moji	Suisang	Tues.	21st Apr. at 2 p.m.
S'PORE, Pang & C'utta	Hopsang	Tues.	21st Apr. at 2 p.m.
SHANGHAI	Hangsang	Wed.	22nd Apr. at 4 light
T'SIN via W'wei & T'au	Chipsang	Wed.	22nd Apr. at 4 light
S'PORE, Pang & C'utta	Onsang	Thur.	23rd Apr. at 2 p.m.
MANILA	Loongsang	Sat.	25th Apr. at 2 p.m.
SHAI, Kobe & Moji	Laisang	Tues.	28th Apr. at 4 light

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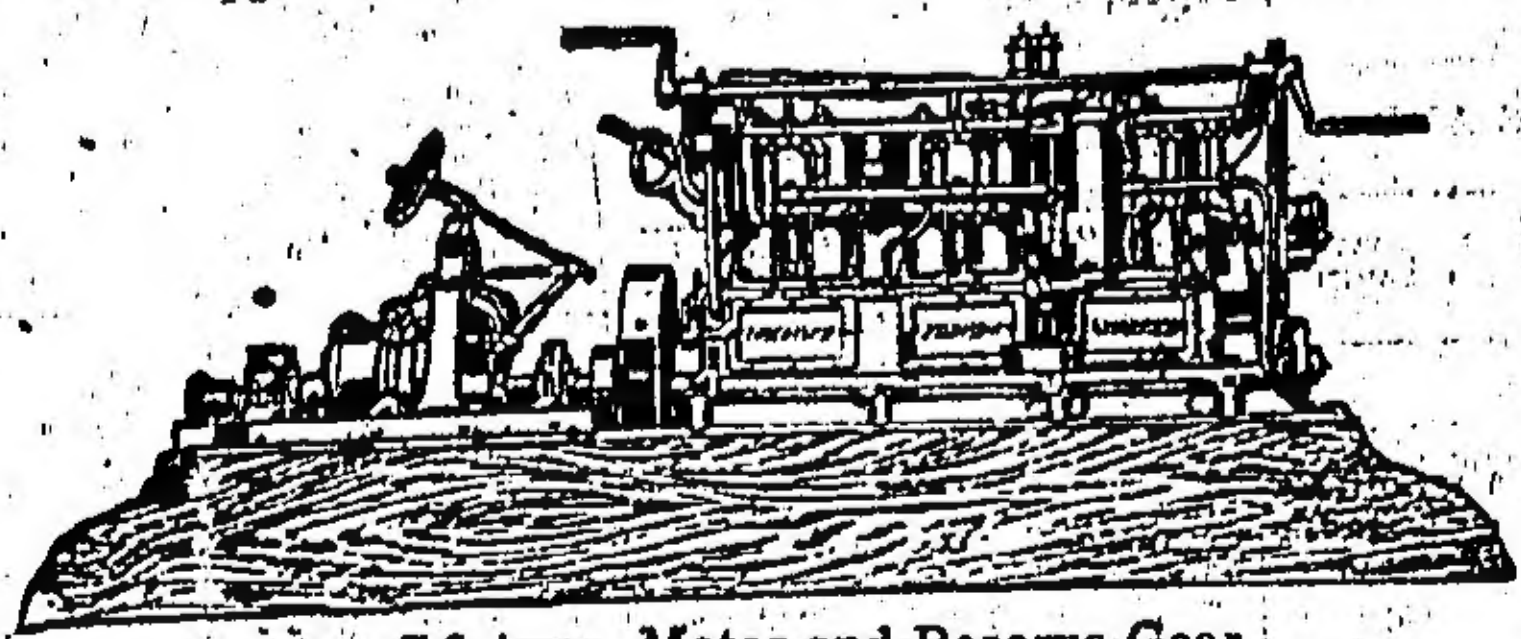
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M'les, L'odon A'werp via S'pore etc.	Kashima M.	N. Y. K.	22, Apr.
Havre, Bremen & Hamburg	Bayern	H. A. L.	23, Apr.
London, Hull and Antwerp	Delta	P. & O.	25, Apr.
Marseilles, Antwerp, R'dam, Bremen Hamburg	Glenloghan	S. T. Co.	26, Apr.
Havre, Emden & Hamburg/B'men	Lothringen	N. D. L.	M. of Apr.
M'les, Hamburg & Antwerp &c.	Thuringen	N. D. L.	B. of May
Havre, Emden & Hamburg	Belgravia	H. A. L.	1, May
Hamburg/Bremen	Gernia	N. D. L.	5, of May
Porto, Fiume V'co, via S'pore etc.	Persia	S. W. Co.	6, May
Hamburg & Antwerp &c.	Arabia	H. A. L.	14, May
Havre, Emden & Hamburg	Uckermark	H. A. L.	15, May
Marseilles, Antwerp, Rotterdam, Hamburg & Bremen	Sigmaringen	M. Co.	16, May
London, Rotterdam & Antwerp	Card'shire	J. M. Co.	18, May
Marseilles via Ports	Dumbra	M. M.	19, May
Havre, D'kir, & Hamburg	Schwartzburg	H. A. L.	19, May
P'lam, Hamburg & Antwerp	Brigaviva	H. A. L.	22, May
Havre, Bremen & Hamburg	Altmark	H. A. L.	1, June
Rottterdam, & Hamburg	Brasilia	H. A. L.	6, June
Havre, & Hamburg	Furst Bulow	H. A. L.	6, June

## NEW YORK, SAN FRANCISCO AND CANADA.

V'toria, B.C. S'tle via Shanghai &c.	Shidzuoka M.	N. Y. K.	21, Apr.
San F'co via S'hai & Japan &c.	H'kong M.	T. K. K.	23, Apr.
New York via Suez Canal	Afghan P.	A. K. Co.	25, Apr.
San Francisco and San Pedro	M. S. Dollar	R. D. Co.	28, Apr.
San F'co via Manila & Japan &c.	Persia	P. M. Co.	28, Apr.
V'toria, B.C. & T'm'ia via S'hai &c.	Canada M.	O. S. K.	29, Apr.
V'toria, V'wer, S'tle, T. & P.	Glenlochy	J. M. Co.	3, May
New York via Ports & Suez Canal	Indra Samha	J. M. Co.	5, May
San F'co via S'hai & Japan &c.	Kor-sa	P. M. Co.	9, May
San F'co via S'hai & Japan &c.	Shinyo M.	T. K. K.	11, May
San Francisco	Chiyu M.	T. K. K.	19, May
Victoria, V'wer, S'tle & P'land	Chaire	J. M. Co.	28, May
Vancouver via S'hai, Japan etc..	Monteagle	O. P. R.	1, July

## AUSTRALIA.

Australian Ports via Manila	P. Sigismund	M. & Co.	18, Apr.
Australian Ports via Manila	Taiyuan	B. & S.	22, Apr.
Australia	Aldenharn	G. L. Co.	1, May
Australian Ports via Manila	Nikko M.	N. Y. K.	6, May
Australia	Empire	G. L. Co.	29, May

## SINGAPORE, COAST PORTS AND JAPAN

Shanghai, Kobe & Moji	Torilla	D. S. Co.	18, Apr.
Manila	Yuen Sang	J. M. Co.	18, Apr.
S'pore, Pang, R'gon & C'utta	Chona M.	N. Y. K.	18, Apr.
Shanghai and Tsingtau	Tosa M.	B. & S.	18, Apr.
S'pore, Pang, R'gon & C'utta	Tosa M.	N. Y. K.	18, Apr.
Shanghai, Kobe and Yokohama	Cardillere	M. M.	18, Apr.
Tamsui via Swatow & Amoy	Daigi Maru	O. S. K.	19, Apr.
Shanghai	Wingsang	J. M. Co.	19, Apr.
Weihaiwei, Chefoo & Tientsin	Kueichow	B. & S.	19, Apr.
Kobe (direct)	Colombo M.	N. Y. K.	21, Apr.
Shanghai	Liangchow	B. & S.	21, Apr.
Swatow, Amoy and Foochow	Haiyang	D. L. Co.	21, Apr.
Kobe and Moji	Suisang	J. M. Co.	21, Apr.
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Kobe and Yokohama	Atsuta M.	N. Y. K.	22, Apr.
Kobe and Yokohama	Ceylon M.	N. Y. K.	22, Apr.
Foochow via Swatow & Amoy	Faijo M.	O. S. K.	22, Apr.
Baholi & Haiphong	S'ngkiang	B. & S.	22, Apr.
Tientsin via S'low, W'wei & C'foo	Chipsang	J. M. Co.	22, Apr.
Shanghai	Assaye	P. & O.	23, Apr.
Singapore, Penang and Calcutta	Onsang	J. M. Co.	23, Apr.
Swatow, Amoy & Foochow	Haiching	D. L. Co.	24, Apr.
Shanghai, Kobe and Yokohama	Altmark	H. A. L.	25, Apr.
Kobe	P. Waldemar	M. Co.	28, Apr.
Shanghai, Kobe and Moji	Laisang	J. M. Co.	28, Apr.
Shanghai, Kobe and Yokohama	W'berg	H. A. L.	1, May
Shanghai, Kobe and Yokohama	Furst Bulow	H. A. L.	1, May
Shanghai	Bohemian	S. W. Co.	1, May
YHama and Kobe via Shanghai	Nippon	S. W.	2, May
Manila, Mangarin, Cebu & Iloilo	Zafiro	S. T. Co.	2, May
Nagasaki, Kobe & Yokohama	Kumano M.	N. Y. K.	6, May
Shanghai, Kobe and Yokohama	Scgovia	H. A. L.	11, May
Jesselton, Kudat and Sandakan	Borneo	M. Co.	11, May
Shanghai, Kobe and Yokohama	Emden	H. A. L.	21, May
Shanghai, Kobe and Yokohama	Sambis	H. A. L.	21, May
Shanghai, Kobe and Yokohama	Frieta	H. A. L.	29, May
Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Thama	Navara	P. & O.	end May
Shanghai, Kobe and Yokohama	Silesia	H. A. L.	18, June
Batavia, Cheribon, Samarang, &c.	Tijbo vas	J.O.J. L.	Q. desp.
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The C.P.R. s.s. EMPRESS OF RUSSIA left Yokohama on the 23rd Mar. between 4 & 6 a.m.

The C.P.R. s.s. EMPRESS OF INDIA left Yokohama on the 11th instant, between 2 and 4 p.m.

The C.P.R. s.s. MONTEAGLE left Kobe on the 13th inst. at 6 p.m. and is due to arrive at Yokohama on the 17th inst. at 5 a.m.

The C.P.R. s.s. EMPRESS OF JAPAN was 1320 miles from Yokohama on the 12th inst. at night, was due to arrive at Yokohama on the 16th inst. at 7 p.m. and will leave Yokohama on the 17th inst. at 3 p.m.

## AMERICAN MAIL.

The P. M. s.s. PERSIA sailed from Yokohama for Hongkong, via Manila on the 9th inst. The mails from the United States are being conveyed to Hongkong by the s.s. CANADA MARU scheduled to arrive at this port on the 20th instant.

The P. M. s.s. CHINA arrived at San Francisco on the 10th inst.

## GERMAN MAIL.

The I. G. M. s.s. KLEIST which left here on the 18th of March arrived at Genoa on the 14th inst. at 8 a.m.

## AUSTRALIAN MAIL.

The I. G. M. s.s. PRINZ WALDEMAR left Sydney on the 4th inst. at 8 p.m. and may be expected here on or about the 27th inst.

The F. & A. s.s. EMPIRE left Sydney for this Port (via Queensland, Port Darwin and Manila) on the 7th inst. and may be expected to arrive here on or about the 2nd May.

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The N. Y. K. s.s. ATSUBA MARU (European Line) left Marseilles for this port via ports on the 21st March and is expected here on the 21st April.

The N. Y. K. s.s. TAMBA MARU (American Line) left Seattle for this port via ports on the 24th March and is expected here on the 26th April.

The N. Y. K. s.s. HITACHI MARU (European Line) left London for this port via ports on the 28th March and is expected here on the 6th May.

The Mogul Line s.s. MONTROSE left United Kingdom for Hongkong via Straits on the 23rd ult. and is expected to arrive here on or about the 7th May.

The I. O. S. N. s.s. SUISANG from Singapore is due at Hongkong on the 19th April.

The I. O. S. N. s.s. LAISANG from Calcutta is due at Hongkong on the 24th April.

The L. C. S. N. s.s. CHIPSHING from Weihaiwei is due at Hongkong on the 17th April.

The I. O. S. N. s.s. ONSANG from Shimoda is due at Hongkong on the 19th April.

The I. O. S. N. s.s. HANGSANG from Shanghai is due at Hongkong on the 19th April.

The S. L. s.s. GLENLOCHY from London passed the Canal on the 31st Mar. and is due at Hongkong on the 30th inst.

The S. L. s.s. DENBIGHSHIRE from London is due at Hongkong on the 14th May.

The S. L. s.s. CARDIGANSHIRE from Seattle is due at Hongkong on the 7th May.

The s.s. GLENLOCHY passed the Suez Canal on the 31st Mar. for Hongkong via Straits.

The s.s. DILWARA sailed from Calcutta on 1st inst. and may be expected here on or about the 19th inst.

The s.s. CATHAY left Sabang on the 6th inst. and may be expected here on or about the 18th inst.

The H.A.L. s.s. ALTMARK left Singapore on the 13th inst. p.m. and may be expected here on or about the 20th inst. a.m.

The s.s. DILWARA from Calcutta left Singapore on the 11th inst. and may be expected here on or about the 17th inst. a.m.

The s.s. G. APCAR sailed from Calcutta yesterday and may be expected here on or about the 3rd May.

The N. D. L. s.s. NORDERNEY left Singapore on the 13th inst. at 5 p.m. and may be expected here on or about the 22nd inst. at 6 a.m.

## VESSELS IN PORT.

## Steamers.

Atholl, Br. s.s. 3,031, S. L. Saxby, 6th inst. Shanghai, 3rd inst. Gen.—D. & Co.

Jungking, Br. s.s. 1,600, G. Robinson, 4th inst.—Pakhov, 3rd inst. Gen.—B. & S.

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Hokuto Maru, Jap. s.s. 2,95, 6th inst.—Singapore, 26th ult. Sugar—D. & Co.

Loongsang, Br. s.s. 1,091, W. G. Lees, 7th inst.—Manila, 4th inst. Gen.—J. M. & Co.

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Unesa, Br. s.s. 170, Stewart, 6th inst.—Shanghai, 2nd inst. Oil—S. O. & Co.

Jonavon, Br. s.s. 2,540, C. W. Addison, 8th inst.—Singapore, 2nd inst. Gen.—G. L. & Co.

Tasulua, Br. s.s. 3,895, 9th inst.—Calcutta, 13th ult. Ballast—S. O. & Co.

Tjibodas, Aush s.s. 4,500, E. H. Kroes, —Kales Mules, 5th inst. General J. O. J. L.

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Kaga Maru, Jap. s.s. 3,907, G. Tabusa, 9th inst.—London, 28th ult. General—N. Y. K.

Minanfu, Nor. s.s. 1,440, W. Futiusan, 9th inst.—Cherleong (Java) 1st inst. Inga—S. B.

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Yodo Maru, Jap. s.s. 2,178, Yokota, 11th inst.—Hongkong, 8th inst. Coal—M. B. K.

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Muttra, Br. s.s. 2,885, R. A. Kolman, 11st inst.—Singapore, 4th inst. Gen.—J. M. & Co.

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Wing Sang, Br. s.s. 1,537, F. H. Lishman, 12th inst.—Swatow & Shanghai, 7th & 11st inst. General—J. M. & Co.

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Calcutta, Br. s.s. 4,278, R. J. Jones, 14th inst.—L'pool via Singapore, 6th inst. Gen.—B. & S.

Yorok, Gr. s.s. 5,115, F. Loesser, 14th inst.—Yokohama, 4th inst. Gen.—M. Co.

Kueichow, Br. s.s. 1,220, Forsyth, 14th inst.—Tientsin, 8th Gen.—B. & S.

Vladimir, Rus. s.s. 3,197, Kamibanskay, 3rd inst.—Vladivostok, 21st ult. Gen.—Lvokmanoff.

Haitain, Br. s.s. 1,183, Roach, 15th inst.—Swatow, 14th inst. Gen.—D. L. & Co.

Koerber, Aus. s.s. 2,430, O. Lumaie, 15th inst.—Shanghai, 13th inst. Gen.—S. W. & Co.

Jinsen Maru, Jap. s.s. 2,347, T. Torada, 15th inst.—Bongai, Gen.—N. Y. K.

Karema, Br. s.s. 3,332, J. H. Beare, 15th inst.—Shanghai, 11th inst. General—Dodwell & Co.

Daigi Maru, Jap. s.s. 1,588, S. Fokuahise, 15th inst.—Tamaui, 14th inst. General—O. S. K.

Bulow, Ger. s.s. 5,033, O. Nabrat, 15th inst.—Hamburg, March 6th, Gen.—M. & Co.

Hongkong Mail, Jap. s.s. 3,463, S. Togo, 16th inst.—San Francisco, March 17th inst. Gen.—T. K. K.

Cathay, Dan. s.s. 2,590, Erners, 16th inst.—Antwerp, 1st Mar. inst. Gen.—M. & Co.

Mountain, Ger. s.s. 1,002, Fr. Hyanga, 16th inst.—Bangkok, 8th inst. Gen.—B. & S.

Fausang, Br. s.s. 1,410, H. S. Mackin, 11th inst.—Balgan, Rice and Gen.—W. F. Sigs.

Taiyo Maru, Jap. s.s. 2,580, T. Yamoto, 13th inst.—Cherbo, 7th inst. General—M. & Co.

Talhybius, Br. s.s. 6,522, H. L. Allen, 13th inst.—Vauconver via Japan, 1st ult. General—B.

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# GEO. P. LAMMERT, AUCTIONEER, SHARE & GENERAL BROKER

THE Undersigned has received instructions to sell by Public Auction on **SATURDAY** the 18th, April 1914 commencing at 12 o'clock noon at his Sale Rooms, Duddell Street, 27 cases Bass' Pale Ale (pints), 16 cases Younger's Ale (pints), 25 cases John Begg's Whisky, 25 cases Elbachloss Beer (qt.), 10 cases Gin.

Terms: Cash on delivery.

GEO. P. LAMMERT, Auctioneer.

THE Undersigned has received instructions to sell by Public Auction on **SATURDAY** the 18th, April 1914, commencing at 11.30 a.m. at his Sale Rooms, Duddell Street, 6000 Indian Cigars, 5000 German & Dutch Cigars.

(In fine condition)

The above will be put up in lots to suit purchasers.

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GEO. P. LAMMERT, Auctioneer.

THE Undersigned has received instructions to sell by Public Auction on **TUESDAY** the 21st, April 1914 commencing at 2.30 p.m. at his Sale Rooms, Duddell Street, A Quantity of Valuable Household Furniture & Canton Blackwood.

(Removed to Sale Rooms for convenience of Sale)

comprising:—

TAPESTRY COVERED DRAWING ROOM SUITE, CHERRY WOOD CARD TABLE, EASY CHAIRS, BRASS FENDERS & FIRE BRASSES, FIRE SCREENS, BOOKCASES, HAT STANDS, CARPETS, RUGS, LACE CURTAINS, ENGRAVINGS, ORNAMENTS, SILK EMBROIDERED WALL HANGINGS & PICTURES, OIL PAINTINGS, OCTAGONAL TABLES, etc. etc.

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FINE TEAK DOUBLE AND SINGLE WARDROBES, MARBLE TOP DRESSING TABLES, WASHSTANDS, CHEST OF DRAWERS, TOILET CROCKERY, SHANGHAI BATHS, etc. etc.

DOUBLE & SINGLE BRASS & BRASS MOUNTED BEDSTADS CHILD'S IRON COTS, etc. etc.

A Fine Lot of Canton Blackwood.

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On view from Monday, the 20th, April 1914.

Catalogues will be issued.

GEO. P. LAMMERT, Auctioneer.

THE Undersigned has received instructions to sell by Public Auction on **WEDNESDAY** the 22nd, April 1914, commencing at 2.30 p.m. at No. 7 Stewart Terrace, The Peak.

The Whole of His Valuable Household Furniture

comprising:—

STAINED TEAK DINING ROOM SUITE, TAPESTRY EASY CHAIRS, BRUSSELS CARPET AND RUGS, GLASS AND CROCKERY WARE, PICTURES, ORNAMENTS, etc. etc.

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THE Steamship

"MERIONETHSHIRE," From PORTLAND, SEATTLE, VANCOUVER & JAPAN.

The above Steamer having arrived, Consignees of Cargo are hereby notified to send in their Bills of Lading for count, signature, and to take immediate delivery of Cargo from alongside.

Cargo impeding discharge or remaining on board after 5 p.m. 13th inst., will be landed at Consignees' risk and expense and delivery must be taken from the hazardous and/or extra hazardous Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co., Ltd.

No fire insurance will be effected.

No Claim will be recognised after the Goods have left the Steamer or Godown, and all goods remaining undelivered on 20th inst., at 6 p.m., will be subject to rent.

All chafed and otherwise damaged Cargo must be left in Godown and examination of same will be held on 20th inst., at 9.30 a.m.

All Claims must be presented on or before 23rd inst., otherwise they will not be recognised.

JARDINE, MATHESON & CO., LTD. Agents.

Hongkong, 13th April, 1914.

AMERICAN-ASIATIC S.S. Co. NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

FROM NEW YORK.

THE Steamship

"INDRANI," Captain N. P. Pilcher, having arrived from the above Port, Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that their goods are being landed at their risk into the Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company, Limited, Kowloon, and stored at Consignees' risk and expense.

All broken, chafed, and damaged goods are to be left in the godowns, where they will be examined on Saturday, 18th inst., at 10 a.m.

All Claims must be presented within FIFTEEN DAYS of the steamer's arrival here, after which date they cannot be recognized.

No Claims will be admitted after the goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 20th inst., will be subject to rent.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by

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## NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES

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Havre ex s.s. "MEDOC"Consignees of Cargo from Lon-  
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D'ARRAS"In connection with above  
Steamer are hereby informed that  
their goods with the exception of  
Opium, Treasure and Valuables  
are being landed and stored at  
their risk into the hazardous  
or extra hazardous Godowns of  
the Hongkong Kowloon Wharf &  
Godown Co., Ltd. at Kowloon  
whence delivery may be obtained  
immediately after landing.Optional Cargo will be forward-  
ed on unless intimation is received  
from the Consignees before  
NOON TO-DAY requesting it to  
be landed here.Bills of Lading will be count-  
ersigned by the Undersigned.  
Goods remained unclaimed after  
the 16th inst. at Noon will be sub-  
ject to rent and landing charges.All claims must be sent in to  
me on or before the 19th inst.  
or they will not be recognized.  
All damaged packages will be  
examined on the 16th instant  
at 10 a.m.No Fire Insurance has been  
effected.S. C. DE BUSSIERRE,  
Acting Agent,  
Hongkong, 10th April, 1914. [1189]

TOYO KISEN KAISHA

s.s. "HONGKONG MARU,"  
From SAN FRANCISCO, via  
HONOLULU, JAPAN PORTS  
and SHANGHAI.The above named Steamer  
having arrived, Consignees of  
Cargo are hereby notified to send  
in their Bills of Lading for coun-  
tersignature, and to take immedi-  
ate delivery of Cargo from along  
side.Cargo remaining undelivered  
on the 17th April at noon will  
be landed at Consignees' risk and  
expense and delivery must then  
be taken from the Company's  
Godown.No Fire Insurance whatever  
will be effected.No Claim will be recognised  
after the Goods have left the  
Steamer or Godown, and all goods  
remained undelivered on the  
23rd April, will be subject to rent  
and landing charges.All chafed and otherwise dam-  
aged Cargo to be left on board or  
Godown and examination of same  
to be held on 27th April at 10 a.m.All Claims must be filed on or  
before 30th April, otherwise  
they will not be recognised.S. MORIMOTO,  
Agent,  
Hongkong, 16th April, 1914. [1205]NORDEUTSCHER LLOYD,  
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## THE Steamship

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of the Hongkong and Kowloon  
Wharf and Godown Company,  
Limited, Kowloon, and West  
Point Godowns, whence delivery  
may be obtained.Optional Cargo will be forward-  
ed on unless intimation is received  
from the Consignees before noon  
to-day requesting it to be landed  
here.No claims will be admitted after  
the Goods have left the Godowns  
and all goods remaining undeliv-  
ered after the 22nd of April,  
will be subject to rent.All broken, chafed, and dam-  
aged Goods are to be left in the  
Godowns where they will be ex-  
amined on the 22nd of April,  
at 9.30 a.m.All claims must reach us before  
the 29th of April, 1914, or they  
will not be recognized.No Fire Insurance will be  
effected.Bills of lading will be counter-  
signed by the undersigned.  
NORDEUTSCHER LLOYD,  
MELBOURNE & CO.,  
General Agents  
Hongkong, 15th April, 1914.

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DINARY ANNUAL  
MEETING OF SHAREHOLD-  
ERS in the above Company will  
be held at the Office of the Com-  
pany, St. George's Building,  
Victoria, Hongkong, on TUES-  
DAY the 21st day of April, 1914,  
at 11.30 o'clock a.m. for the pur-  
pose of receiving a Statement of  
Accounts and the Report of the  
Directors for the year ending 31st  
December 1913.The TRANSFER BOOKS of  
the Company will be CLOSED  
from SATURDAY the 11th day  
of April to TUESDAY the 21st  
day of April 1914, both days  
inclusive.By Order of the Board of  
Directors,  
Hongkong, 6th April, 1914.

## Notices

VICTORIA RECREATION  
CLUB.SEVENTEENTH ATHLETIC  
MEETING.THE COMMITTEE of the  
Victoria Recreation Club  
request the pleasure of the Com-  
pany of the Ladies of Hongkong  
on SATURDAY, the 18th April,  
at 1 p.m., on the Hongkong  
Football Club Ground, (kindly  
placed at the disposal of the Com-  
mittee) at Happy Valley.  
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## Notices

HONGKONG JOCKEY CLUB.

## NOTICE.

THE HALF-YEARLY MEET-  
ING of the above Club will  
be held on SATURDAY, the 25th  
April, 1914 at 12.30 p.m., at the  
Offices of the Hongkong Jockey  
Club, on the Ground Floor of the  
Hongkong Club Annexe, Chater  
Road.By Order,  
T. F. HOUGH,  
Clerk of the Course.  
Hongkong 11th April, 1914.

## NOTICE.

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graduate versed in litera-  
ture, has been a teacher to  
European officials and merchants  
in this Colony for over ten years.He has a good method of train-  
ing Europeans to pass in the  
Chinese examination, and is  
possessed of a first rate certificate  
as a Chinese teacher. He has  
also a good knowledge of Man-  
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Chinese language are requested  
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graph" office or direct to 37  
Hollywood Road, 1st floor,  
Hongkong, 29th Jan., 1912.

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CURRENT ACCOUNTS opened on the main  
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GEORGE HOGG,  
Manager.Queen's Road, Hongkong  
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YokohamaInterest Allowed on Current Accounts.  
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obtained on application.EISHI ONO, Manager.  
Hongkong, 6th April, 1913. [118]THE CHARTERED BANK OF  
INDIA, AUSTRALIA AND  
CHINA.Incorporated by Royal  
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Proprietors ..... £1,200,000FOREIGN EXCHANGE and  
General Banking business trans-  
acted.CURRENT ACCOUNTS open-  
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ceived for 1 year or shorter periods  
at rates which will be quoted on  
application.A. S. HEWETT,  
Acting Manager.  
Hongkong, 11th April, 1912. [122]

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erty, &c.  
Goods received on Storage.  
Advances made on Merchandise.  
Loans made on the Provident  
System.(Rates and Particulars on ap-  
plication.)  
The Office of  
TRUSTEE, EXECUTOR OF  
WILLS, ATTORNEY, &c.,  
Undertaken and Executed.  
SHEWAN, TOMES & Co.  
General Managers.  
Hongkong, 19th March, 1903. [3]PEAK TRAMWAY CO.  
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8.30 P.M. and 9.30 P.M. to  
11.00 P.M. every half hour.  
11.00 P.M. to 1.00 A.M.  
Every quarter of an hour.

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NIGHT CARS at Week Days.

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TION.

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INTEREST allowed on Current  
Account. DEPOSITS received  
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on application. Every description  
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ness transacted.MAX GUTSCHKE  
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Hongkong, 9th Oct. 1911.THE MERCANTILE BANK OF  
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Subscribed " ..... 1,125,000  
Paid Up " ..... 562,500  
Reserve Fund " ..... 465,000BANKERS:  
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Deposits at rates which may be  
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4 m/s ..... 1/11 7/16  
T/T Shanghai ..... 74  
Private 30 d/s sight S'hai ..... 74 1/2  
T/T Singapore ..... 83 1/8  
T/T Japan ..... 95  
T/T India ..... 144 1/2  
T/T Bombay ..... 144 1/2  
Demand Bombay ..... 145  
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MARINE INSURANCE.

FIRE INSURANCE.

SHIPPING.

STEAMBOATS.

INDO-CHINA.

SHELL TRANSPORTS.

STAR-FERRY.

REFINERIES.

LUXON SUGARS.

LUXON SUGARS.

CHINESE ENGINEERS.

PROHNS.

RAUBS.

KOWLOON WHARF.

H.K. &amp; W'POA DOCKS.

SHANGHAI DOCKS.

HONGKOW WHARF.

LANDS, HOTELS &amp; BUILDING.

HONGKONG HOTELS.

HONGKONG LANDS.

HUMPHREYS ESTATES.

KOWLOON LANDS.

SHANGHAI LANDS.

WEST POINTS.

MANILA M'POLE HOTEL.

COTTON MILLS.

EWOS.

SHANGHAI COTTONS.

LAU KUNG MOW.

KUNG YIK.

HONGKONG COTTONS.

CHINA-BURNERS.

LIGHT AND POWERS.

DO. (Spec. shares).

CHINA PROVIDENTS.

DAIRY FARMS.

GREEN ISLANDS.

HONGKONG ESTATES.

HONGKONG IRON.



## THE HANYEHPING DEAL.

Mining Property Mortgaged By China.

Peking, March 6.  
Foreign observers have frequently commented upon the failure of the Chinese successfully to prosecute commercial enterprise on a large scale. A notable instance of their incapacity in this respect is presented in the Yangtze area by the case of the Hanyehping Coal and Iron Factories and Mines Company, a concern that has been in existence for many years. It was started by the famous Hukwang Viceroy, Chang Chih-tung, with provincial funds amounting to 5,000,000 taels (\$625,000), and has developed into a company with a capital of \$13,000,000 (\$1,300,000), of which the Government holds shares to the value of \$125,000.

After working for 15 years the debts of the company aggregate \$2,500,000, while its production of coal, iron ore, and pig iron is totally inadequate to meet interest charges on the heavy burden of debt and capital. The company is fortunate in possessing rich coal and iron mines within reasonable distance of its factories at Hankow. Foreign experts regard these properties as extremely valuable, and both Germans and British have been prepared to sink large capital in the concern in the belief that the application of ordinary business methods would give highly satisfactory results. As things are, however, the company is hopelessly bankrupt, and it has been compelled to make an arrangement with its Japanese creditors which virtually destroys its independence and alienates to foreigners property that ought to constitute a valuable national asset.

Japanese intervention, handicapped by the absence of iron mines in Japan, has long sought control of the Hanyehping concern. Many loans have been made to the company by the Yokohama Specie Bank, repayment being provided by deliveries of ore and pig iron to the Japanese Ironworks, a Government enterprise. Deliveries have been far short of contract over a period of years, with the result that the bank at end of the 1913 was owed nearly \$2,000,000. The company further had borrowed about \$500,000 from Chinese sources at rates of interest between 9 and 13 per cent, as well as small sums from the French and Russian banks. Of late the Japanese have been paying the wages bill in order to keep the business going. Obviously measures had to be taken by the Japanese to protect their interests and ensure in the future the supplies of iron which are vital to their prosperity. Accordingly, in December last a series of agreements were concluded between the bank and the company, with the object of putting the latter on a sound footing. The bank agreed to lend \$900,000 to pay off the loans bearing high interest and those made by foreign banks, and to square up outstanding Japanese transactions. Another sum of \$600,000 is to be lent for the purpose of installing plant which will increase the capacity to manufacture pig iron. When these arrangements are complete the Hanyehping Company will owe the Yokohama

Specie Bank something over \$2,500,000. In return for his accommodation all the company's properties are mortgaged to the bank until the debt is liquidated by deliveries of ore and pig iron, and by the payment of instalments in cash, spread over 40 years. Interest for the first five years is to be at the rate of 7 per cent, and afterwards the rates are to be fixed annually, subject to a minimum of 6 per cent. Japanese accountants and technical advisers are to be employed by the company in the Japanese interest to supervise the management. It is stipulated that the Japanese shall not be bought out by money borrowed from foreign sources, and that they shall have the prior right to provide funds in case further borrowing shall be necessary.

Chinese Objections Unavailing.  
This arrangement has provoked much criticism. The company has been accused of selling national resources to foreigners, and the Government has been pressed to cancel it. In response to popular agitation the Chinese Government has notified the company that the agreements are invalid, on the ground that they violate a Government Order of last year forbidding the alienation of mining property to foreigners without official approval. The Japanese, however, who have had no official intimation to this effect, do not take the objection seriously, because the company's properties were mortgaged to them before the Order was promulgated. Moreover, it had become an established usage—such as Yuan Shih-kai promised to observe in relations with foreigners—for them to lend money on the security of the mining properties of the company. Whether the Chinese Government has a case against the transaction or not is really of little importance, for the Japanese plainly intimate that control of the Hanyehping Company is a cardinal feature of their policy in China.

The Japanese are also accused of defrauding the Chinese in prices, but for this there seems no foundation. Ore has been sold at the rate of 6s. per ton, f.o.b. the Tayeh mines on the Yangtze, and pig iron at 54s. per ton, f.o.b. Hankow. Freight to Japan is about 9s. per ton, which, taken into consideration, brings the prices mentioned reasonably into line with those prevailing in England for ore and pig based on current rates, and will be fixed annually two years ahead.

For all practical purposes these valuable properties are irretrievably mortgaged, for although the Japanese control many not be complete on paper, it is obviously the intention of the Japanese Government to manage them, and in reality to own them. There are detachments of Japanese troops at the iron mines and at the coal mines for the protection of Japanese workmen, and 800 Japanese soldiers are stationed at Hankow. Henceforward these mines will be developed on lines that will benefit Japan, and China only in a secondary degree.

From the British point of view the result is not ideal, for although it is satisfactory to see an ally successful in her enterprises, it is not so pleasant when these enterprises are pushed in regions where we have been taught to think British interests predominate. Times Correspondent

## POST OFFICE.

The Liangchow, with the mail from London (via Siberia) of Saturday the 13th ult., is due to arrive here to-day.  
The Cordillera, with the French Mail is due to arrive here on Sunday 19th inst. at daylight.  
The Canada Maru with the American mail ex Persia is due to arrive here on Monday 20th inst.

Chinese registered correspondence will not be delivered on a signature only. The Chop of a firm of standing will in such be required in addition. The Postman has instructions not to part with any registered article until the above regulation has been complied with.

## MAILS DUE.

Siberian, Liangchow, 17th inst.  
Tosno, Cordillera, 19th inst.  
American, Canada Maru, 20th inst.

## MAILS CLOSE TO-DAY.

Shanghai & North China, Japan via Kobe—Per TORILLA, 17th inst. 5 p.m.  
Tientsin, Chefoo & Newchwang—Per TAIYO MARU, 17th inst. 5 p.m.

## TO-MORROW.

Philippine Is., Angaur, Yap, Fried, Wilhelmshafen, Rabaul, Herbornshohe, Matupi, Samarai, Australia, Tasmania, New Zealand, Tazmania, via Brisbane—Per 2. SIGISMUND, 18th inst. 8 a.m.  
Fort Bayard—Per OHONGVA, 18th inst. 8 a.m.  
Hobow & Bangkok—Per CHILDA, 18th inst. 9 a.m.  
Swatow and Bangkok—Per CHOISING, 18th inst. 11 a.m.  
Manzanillo & Guaymas (Mexico)—Per Mexico City 18th inst. 3 p.m.  
Swatow, Weiswei, Chefoo, & Tientsin—KUEICHOV, 18th inst. 5 p.m.

Shanghai, North China and Tientsin (Europe via Siberia)—Per ORENAN, 18th inst. 8 a.m.  
[To make connection with the Taiyung train leaving Shanghai on Tuesday, the 23rd inst. at 8 p.m.]  
Swatow, Shanghai, & North China—Per WINGSAO, 18th April, 5 p.m.

## SUNDAY 19th April.

Swatow—Per HAIMUN, 19th inst. 9 a.m.  
Swatow, Amoy & Formosa via Tamsui—Per DAIJIN MARU, 19th inst. 9 a.m.

Shanghai, North China & Japan via Kobe (Cordillera)—Per CORDILLERA, 19th inst. 9 a.m.  
[To make connection with the Taiyung train leaving Shanghai on Thursday the 23rd inst. at 3 p.m.]

## MONDAY, 20th April.

Philippine Islands—Per TALTHYBIUS, 20th inst. 11 a.m.  
Sandakan—Per HINSANG, 20th inst. 11 a.m.  
Japan via Yokohama—Per SUIBANG, 20th inst. 5 p.m.

## TUESDAY, 21st April.

Saigon, Straits, Ceylon, Adelaide, Western, Australia, India, Aden, Egypt, and Europe via Marseilles (Late Letters to 11 to Noon Extra Postage 10 cents). Letters posted in all the Pillar Boxes in time for the first clearance will be included in this contract mail.—Per ATLANTIQUE, 21st inst. 10 a.m.  
Swatow, Amoy and Foochow—Per HAI-CHING, 21st inst. 10 a.m.  
Shanghai, North China and Japan via Moji Victoria, B.C. and Seattle—Per SHIDZUOKA MARU, 21st inst. 10 a.m.  
Straits & India via Oulu—Per HOPFANG, 21st inst. 1 p.m.  
Shanghai & North China—Per LIANG-CHOW, 21st inst. 3 p.m.  
Philippine Is.—Per TAMING, 21st inst. 3 p.m.  
Shanghai & North China—Per HANG-SANG, 21st inst. 5 p.m.

## WEDNESDAY, 22nd April.

Straits & Colombo—Per KASHIMA MARU, 22nd inst. 9 a.m.  
Fakhoi & Haiphong—Per SUNGIANG, 22nd inst. 9 a.m.  
Weiswei, Tientsin & Tientsin—Per Japan via Kobe—Per TAMSUI—Per CHIPSHING, 22nd inst. 11 a.m.  
Philippine Is.—Per RUBI, 22nd inst. 3 p.m.

## THURSDAY, 23rd April.

Straits, India via Calcutta—Per ONSANG, 23rd inst. 1 p.m.  
Shanghai & N. China—Per LUOHOW, 23rd inst. 3 p.m.

## FRIDAY, 24th April.

Swatow, Amoy and Foochow—Per HAI-CHING, 24th April, 10 a.m.

## SATURDAY, 25th April.

Philippine Is., Japan via Nagasaki, Honolulu, United States, South America, and Canada, via San Francisco—Per HONGKONG MARU, 25th inst. 10 a.m.  
Philippine Is.—Per LOONGSANG, 25th inst. 1 p.m.  
Shanghai & North China (Europe via Siberia)—Per YINGCHOW, 25th inst. 5 p.m.

## MONDAY, 27th April.

Shanghai & North China Japan via Kobe—Per LAISANG, 27th inst. 5 p.m.

## SHIPPING NEWS.

## ARRIVED.

Chihli, Br. s.s. 1,228, W. R. Lloyd, 16th inst.—Chihliang, Genl.—B. & S.  
Chihping, Br. s.s. 1,199, Schenk, 17th inst.—Tientsin, 12th inst. Genl.—M. & Co.  
Diliwan, Br. s.s. 3,460, G. N. Ramage, 17th inst.—Singapore, 11th inst. Genl.—D. S. & Co.  
Shensi, Br. s.s. 1,328, Simons, 17th inst.—Bangkok, 11th inst. Rice—B. & S.  
Talyuan, Aus. s.s. 2,300, F. W. Grierson, 17th inst.—Melbourne, Sydney, 20th ult. Genl.—B. & S.  
Taming, Br. s.s. 1,350, G. H. Pennefather, 17th inst.—Manila, 14th inst. Sugar & Genl.—B. & S.  
Tosno Maru, Jap. s.s. 3,180, Yoshikawa, 17th inst.—Moji, 14th inst. Genl.—N. Y. K.

## DEPARTED.

April 17.  
Chenai for Capton.  
Indraji for Yokohama via Shanghai.  
Annu for Bangkok.  
Kaitani for Swatow.  
Anhui for Shanghai.  
Anhui, for Canton.  
Rajaburi for Swatow and Singapore.  
Americam for Kwongshauwan.

## CLEARANCES AT THE HARBOUR OFFICE.

April 17.  
Fausang for Saigon.  
Cathay for Yokohama via Shanghai.  
Buclow for Yokohama via Shanghai.  
Chihli for Canton.  
A. Apear for Calcutta via Singapore.  
Tamsui for Amoy.  
Hsiao Maru for Kobe via Moji.  
Tientsin for Fusan.  
Haitan for Foochow.  
Chipsiang for Canton.

## PASSENGERS ARRIVED.

Per s.s. Hongkong, M. from San Francisco for Hongkong on 16th inst.—Mrs E. S. T. Bray, A. L. Becker, D. Clark, Miss M. Duffy, A. Dumerac, H. Horley & Co., A. C. Jolley, Wm. McAdams, H. W. London, E. Leclair, A. Nesbit, Mrs A. Nesbit, Miss J. Cummings, Miss A. G. Parson, Mrs J. K. Pike, DE Pismun, Mrs S. S. Shallevard, M. Selg, W. C. Taylor, Mrs W. O. Taylor, Rev. O. R. Zimmerman, Mrs O. R. Zimmerman, Miss A. Zimmerman, Mrs M. Yarbrough, Miss Yarbrough.  
Per s.s. Chihping from Tientsin etc. on the 17th inst.—R. Skatcher, F. W. Warr, F. R. Rouse, H. M. Sheaf.  
Per s.s. Talyuan from Melbourne etc. on the 17th inst.—J. Ascott, Trimbrill, Miss Gibson, H. Roglet, H. Garbe, Miss Young, Miss Gibbons, Miss Eva Gibson, J. Peterson, P. R. E. Humphries, Capt. Blenckstone.  
Per s.s. Taming from Manila on the 17th inst.—E. E. Rouse, Mr. & Mrs. G. Craig, J. Quinn, Mr. & Mrs. F. Rouse, Mr. & Mrs. W. M. Greene, Mr. & Mrs. W. J. Mitchell, Master J. Mitchell, Rev. J. E. Killion, G. H. Rouse, H. M. Sheaf.

## PASSENGERS DEPARTED.

Per s.s. E. of Asia for San Francisco on the 16th inst.—E. Rouse, Mr. & Mrs. Broadbent, H. Baker, A. W. Lawrence, Rev. F. Lignier, Cox, Miss Walker, Dalgety, E. Volbrecht, O. L. Low, O. B. Lyons, J. B. Abromble, Mr. & Mrs. C. P. Cameron, Mr. & Mrs. Thos. F. Cosh, T. B. Greenlag, Miss Ducker, J. L. Cosh, Dr. & Mrs. Martin, Dr. & Mrs. Brodie, G. M. Young, F. B. Harrison, S. Clark, Maclellan, J. L. van Laet, R. H. Ball, T. Takino, Dr. Moore Graham, W. A. Grant, Dr. & Mrs. Chas. van Bergen, Capt. Gelman, A. Wilkie, Col. Hayward, Miller, Alexander, Capt. Riggs, Lt. C. K. Butler, Mr. & Mrs. Klind, Miss H. Armstrong, Miss A. Armstrong, F. E. Guthrie, R. F. Guthrie, C. O. Guthrie, Mr. & Mrs. Armstrong, S. Abong, J. G. V. Hays, Dr. & Mrs. Grevell, D. Baugh, Mrs. L. K. Tholover, Mrs. J. H. Tholover, Miss Greening, Mr. & Mrs. Swarty, Mr. & Mrs. R. C. Beck, F. Yearley, Lt. Col. Rodcliffe, J. H. Crocker, H. U. Jeffries, Miss M. E. Dawson, Miss E. Dawson, Mr. & Mrs. G. P. Dawson, Mr. & Mrs. W. E. Mo-Lock, Sir Wm. & Lady Reed, Davies, J. B. Shinnon, Miss Booker, Mr. & Mrs. A. H. Nather.

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## WEATHER REPORT.

On the 17th at 11.10—The depression which formed over S. Japan yesterday now lies to the east of Japan. The anticyclone over China and the depression over Indo-China have spread eastward.  
Squally weather is indicated over the N. China Sea.

Hongkong Rainfall for the 24 hours ending at 10 a.m. to-day, 1.27 inches.

FORECAST FOR THE 24 HOURS ENDING AT NOON TO-MORROW.

District	Forecast
1 Hongkong and Neighbourhood	E. winds, strong to moderate; overcast, some rain.
2 Formosa Channel	N.E. gale.
3 South coast of China bet. the same two H.K. and Lamcocks	as No. 1.
5 South coast of China bet. the same two H.K. and Hainan	as No. 1.

China Coast Meteorological Register.

17th April, a.m.

Station	Hour	Barometer	Temperature	Humidity	Wind	Weather
Wanchow	7a	29.77	n	3		
Nemuro	6a	29.79	n	1		
Hakodate	"	29.79	n	1		
Tokio	"	29.87	n	1		
Kochi	"	29.91	n	1		
Nagasaki	"	30.07	n	1		
Osaka	"	30.04	n	1		
Oshima	"	30.02	n	1		
Naha	"	30.07	n	1		
Ishijima	"	30.07	n	1		
Shimonoseki	"	29.87	n	1		
Chifu	"	30.14	44	84	w	1 b
Whampoa	"	30.16	47	aw	1 b	
Hankow	"	30.12	52	wn	4 b	
Shanghai	7a	30.10	62	n	1	
Amoy	6a	30.03	60	se	1	
Swatow	"	30.07	"	"	"	
Taihou	5a	30.07	"	"	"	
Taihu	"	29.96	"	"	"	
Tainan	"	30.05	"	"	"	
Koshun	"	29.95	"	"	"	
P'dores	"	29.91	"	"	"	
Canton	6a	29.87	68	se	1	or
H'kong	6a	29.87	66	se	1	or
Gay Hook	"	29.83	74	so	1	or
Macao	"	29.85	66	so	1	or
Wuchow	9a	"	"	"	"	
Fakhoi	"	"	"	"	"	
Hobow	"	"	"	"	"	
Phu Lien	6a	29.84	75	ese	5	or
Tourane	"	29.83	82	asw	4	or
O. St. J.	"	29.79	79	ase	2	or
Annam	"	29.83	74	aw	1	or
Manila	"	29.93	77	aw	0	or
Legaspi	"	29.93	74	aw	0	or
Iloilo	9a	29.99	84	ne	2	or
Bacolod	"	"	"	aw	2	or
Cebu	"	29.86	86	"	1	or
Labuan	"	"	"	"	"	

T. F. Claxton, Director.

Hongkong, Observatory, Apr. 17th.

1 Barometer, reduced to 32 degrees Fahrenheit on the level of the sea in inches, tenths and hundredths.

2 Temperature, in the shade, in degrees Fahrenheit.

3 Humidity, in percentage of saturation, the humidity of air saturated with moisture being 100.

4 Direction of Wind, to two points.

5 Force of Wind, according to Beaufort Scale.

State of Weather, b blue sky, c detached cloud, d drizzling rain, f fog, g gloomy, h hail, i lightning, o overcast, p passing showers, q squally, r rain, s snow, t thunder, v visibility, w dew wet.

0 Rain in inches, tenths and hundredths.

## METEOROLOGICAL.

Previous	Day	On date	On date
at 5 p.m.	at 5 p.m.	at 5 p.m.	at 5 p.m.
Barometer	29.91	29.97	29.94
Temperature	70	66	64
Humidity	95	88	89
Wind Direction	N	E	E
Force	7	6	6
Weather	cloud	o	od
Rain	0	1.27	1.27
High at 10 a.m. Temperature on the 16th	82		
Low at 10 p.m. " " " "	75		
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